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## THE FRENCH REPUBLIC.

### Resignation of President Thiers—Marshal MacMahon Elected His Successor—Turbulent Scenes in the Assembly.

VERSAILLES, May 24.—Debate upon the interpellation of the Government was resumed in the Assembly this morning. M. Thiers, in accordance with the notice given yesterday by Minister Dufaure, addressed the Assembly, urging the definitive establishment of the Republic. His utterances were received with loud cheers by the Left, while the Right remained silent. Upon the conclusion of M. Thiers' speech, the Assembly took a recess till 2 o'clock P. M.

THE AFTERNOON SITTING.

The Assembly reassembled at 3 o'clock this afternoon, and after an energetic speech by M. Casimer-Perier, Minister of the Interior, rejected, by a vote of 369 against 348, the simple order of the day, emanating from the Left, and supported by the Government.

THE CONDEMNATORY VOTE.

An order of the day proposed by the Right, declaring that the present form of government was not under discussion, and regretting that the reconstruction of the Ministry did not afford conservative guarantees, was then adopted by a vote of 368 against 344.

Upon the announcement of the result of the last vote, M. Baragnon, a member of the Right, said the supreme interests of the country required that the Government should not remain silent.

A SCENE OF DISORDER.

His remarks were received with noisy protestations by the Left.

When the tumult had subsided, M. Baragnon proposed a night sitting of the Assembly.

M. Dufaure, Minister of Justice, ascended the tribune and declared that France would not remain a moment without a government, notwithstanding the vote just cast. "There exists," he said, "a President and the Republic. The Ministers would answer for the maintenance of order." They would consult with the President and agree to a night sitting.

The Left shouted, "Why will the Government thus set Europe and posterity the example of this monstrous ingratitude?"

The Right insisted that the Government should promptly communicate its decision to the Assembly.

After further debate, which was conducted amid the greatest excitement, it was decided to have a night session, and a recess was taken until the evening.

EXCITEMENT IN PARIS.

The result of the votes has caused intense excitement. The streets are crowded with people eagerly awaiting the developments of to-night's sitting.

### The Night Session—Resignation of M. Thiers.

VERSAILLES, May 24—Evening.—The Assembly reassembled in session at 8 P. M.

M. Dufaure, Minister of Justice, announced that the Ministers had tendered their resignations to M. Thiers, who had accepted them.

THE PRESIDENT'S RESIGNATION.

M. Dufaure then handed to M. Buffet, the President of the Assembly, a message from President Thiers, announcing that he delivers back to the Assembly the high functions which had been conferred upon him.

The reading of the message produced a profound sensation in the chamber.

Gen. Changarnier and the Duke de Broglie moved that the Assembly immediately appoint a successor to M. Thiers.

This motion caused a terrific uproar.

The Left moved that the resignation of President Thiers be not accepted. This motion was rejected by a vote of 368 against 339.

The resignation of President Thiers was then formally accepted.

M. Buffet fruitlessly attempted to eulogize M. Thiers.

FRUITLESS EFFORTS TO ADJOURN.

The members of the Left endeavored to secure an adjournment of the election of a successor to M. Thiers, but the Right insisted upon choosing a President of the Republic immediately.

MACMAHON PRESIDENT.

The vote was then taken, and it resulted in the election of Marshal MacMahon, who received 390 votes. The Deputies of the Left abstained from voting.

A committee was then appointed to wait upon Marshal McMahon and inform him that he had been elected President of the Republic.

The committee was headed by M. Buffet, who, upon retiring, temporarily handed over the Presidency of the Assembly to M. Goulard. The members of the Right enthusiastically cheered M. Goulard upon his taking the seat.

HE ACCEPTS.

Upon the return of the committee to the Assembly M. Buffet resumed the chair and announced that Marshal MacMahon had accepted the Presidency of the Republic, though not without pain.

M. Buffet also stated that the Ministers would temporarily remain.

STREET SCENES.

The crowds in the streets and in front of the Legislative Chamber increased as night wore on. When the result of the proceedings in the Assembly was made known there were loud shouts of "Vive le Thiers" and "Vive la Republique."

There were no attempts at disorder, and the people quietly dispersed.

The Very Latest.

PARIS, May 24—Evening.—The resignation of President Thiers and the election of Marshal MacMahon to succeed him causes immense excitement here. The streets have been crowded all the evening with people discussing the events of the day, but no disturbance is reported.

### PRESIDENT MACMAHON.

**Duke of Magenta and Marshal of France.**

Marie Edme Patrick Maurice de MacMahon, Duke of Magenta and Marshal of France, was born at Sully July 13, 1808. He derives his descent from an Irish family, who, having risked and lost all in their devotion to the last of the race of Stuarts, emigrated to France. The MacMahons were of high birth in their native country, and mingled their blood by marriage with the old French nobility. The parentage of Gen MacMahon is a matter of some doubt, there being no record of his early life, except that he is the son of a peer of France. In 1825 he entered the military school at St. Cyr, and found himself the companion of the sons of noblemen of equal rank with his own family. Among them were the Montmorencys, Harcourts, Rohans, Luynes, and other historical names. In those days party feeling ran high, and the St. Cyrians were constantly engaged in duels. M. Constant de Rebecque, editor of the *Minerve*, better known as Benjamin Constant, having fought half a dozen times, hired a fencing-master at last to sign his articles for him, and give an account of visitors. This gentleman coached five officers of the King's Body Guard on the award of the Bois de Boulogne within twelve months. Three and twenty St. Cyrians having thereupon drawn lots, and sworn to fight him turn by turn until he was worsted, he accepted the challenge, and would have faced it had not the Body Guard put upon the pin of pitting against him a rival bravo named Checquart, who defeated his adversary by a clever thrust with his sword through his opponent's throat.

Leaving St. Cyr in 1830, MacMahon was sent to join the army in Algiers, that great training-ground for nearly all the best-known French Generals of the present day. He entered upon active service with all the enthusiasm of a young soldier, and behaved most gallantly in every action in which he participated. Handsome, brave, and well connected, he speedily rose in favor, and was at once placed on the staff of Gen. Achard, under whom he took part in the expedition to Antwerp in 1832, attaining the rank of Captain in the following year. So earnest was he in the exercise of his profession, that, after serving on the staffs of all the African Generals, and participating in the desperate assault upon Constantine, MacMahon was nominated as Major of Foot Chasseurs in 1840. In 1842 he became Lieutenant Colonel of the Foreign Legion, and Colonel of the Forty-first Regiment of the line in 1845. The year 1848 found him still holding the position of Colonel, besides being an officer in the Legion of Honor.

When the revolution of '48 occurred in France, MacMahon was a Conservative, and, like many others in the Algerian Army, preferred to await events before taking any decided stand. He had watched the fall of Louis Philippe with silent contempt, and attributed it all to "Liberalism," and though he suffered himself to be promoted to a generalship by the new Government—for one should never decline favors—yet he assuredly clung to the hope that France might soon be blessed with a "régime of order" again, which generally seems to mean a régime that has been tried before, and has given fitful order to the streets by introducing disorder into the public finances, into the public morals, and into the public ideas of international amity.

On the re-establishment of the Empire under Louis Napoleon, MacMahon proved quite ready to give his oath of fealty, though recent writers profess to believe that he would have preferred a Bourbon restoration; but Henri V. being unenterprising, Napoleon III. was no bad substitute, as the descendant of a man who had been proscribed for his faith would no longer have his ears shocked by hearing other men proclaim their faiths and their convictions. MacMahon was at this time a vigorous-looking gentleman, with clear blue eyes, a firm mouth, and silent ways. He had little to say on any subject; but he was regarded as the most chivalrous among officers.

When the Crimean War began, MacMahon was summoned to France, and on the retirement of Gen. Canrobert from the field in front of Sebastopol during the year 1855, he handed over the command of his division to the new aspirant for martial honors, the Emperor signifying his great reliance upon the capability and heroism of the "Irlandaise," as he was even then known in the army. The assault upon the Russian works being determined upon by the allied chiefs on the 8th of September, they assigned to Gen. MacMahon the perilous post of leading the French column against the Malakoff. The result of that terrible engagement is well known, and for his brilliant services on that day the General was given the Grand Cross of the Legion of Honor. In 1856 he was nominated by Queen Victoria as a Knight of the Grand Cross of the Order of the Bath.

At the commencement of the Italian war, in 1859, Gen. MacMahon was naturally esteemed one of the best tacticians in France, and he maintained his high reputation for gallantry and the successful command of large bodies of troops by signal service at the battles of Solferino and Magenta. So great was his renown at the time that Napoleon III. gave him the bâton of a Field Marshal, and also created him Duke of Magenta. When the war closed MacMahon was one of the idols of the hour, and received ovations wherever he appeared in France. In 1861 he was sent to represent the nation at the coronation of the present Emperor of Germany as King of Prussia, and in the following year was given the command of the Third Corps de Armée. In 1864, he was nominated Governor General of Algeria. In this position he inaugurated a new system of government in the Colony, the tendency of which was to create and establish an Arab Kingdom. But the movement proved a decided failure, the colonists becoming dissatisfied and unruly, and in 1868, large numbers of them left Algeria for Brazil, suffering great hardships, while thousands of the Arabs perished of hunger and disease. These facts raised a great outcry against MacMahon, and as the accession to power of the Ollivier Cabinet was the pretext chosen for abandoning the idea of founding an Arab kingdom under military rule MacMahon resigned the Governor-Generalship. On the declaration of war with Prussia, he was appointed to the command of the First Corps d'Armée, charged with the defense of Elsass; and on the 6th of August, 1870, he was defeated between Woërth and Reichshoffen by the Crown Prince of Prussia, and forced to abandon the line of the Vosges. He had 35,000 men under his orders, consisting of Canrobert's and Failly's corps, the Prince was at the head of 75,000, and MacMahon's disaster was complete, though the French held a strong defensive position. The Prussians, however, turned the French line at two points, and also broke their left and centre in the face of and despite a fierce cavaly charge ordered by MacMahon as a dernier resort. In this engagement he lost 4,000 prisoners, thirty-six cannons, and two standards. His subsequent retreat to Nancy with only 18,000 men was so ably conducted, however, that the Emperor confided to him the command-in-chief of the new levies then mustering at Chalons. Unluckily, he was thwarted by much interference, and tied down to act on a campaign which is now allowed to have been ill-considered. Having received formal orders to march to the relief of Bazaine at Metz, he was driven by the rapid advance of the Crown Prince into the trap of Sedan, and on the 1st of September, early in the morning, after being dangerously wounded in the thigh, resigned his command to Gen. Ducrot. He cannot, therefore, be held responsible for the mischief that followed. After the Emperor's surrender, MacMahon was specially authorized by the King of Prussia to reside at Pourru-aux-Bois, a little village on the frontiers of Belgium, but as soon as his wound was healed he voluntarily shared the captivity of his troops in Germany. He returned to Paris on the 18th of March, 1871, at the outbreak of the Communist insurrection. In the beginning of April he was appointed by a decree of the Executive power to lead the Versailles army, and on the 28th of May, after some days of desperate fighting, entered Paris and issued a calm and moderate proclamation. He was subsequently nominated Dictator, but peremptorily declined the honor.

As soon as the Communists were suppressed, Gen. MacMahon performed great service to the nation in aiding President Thiers in reorganizing the demoralized and disorganized army of France, the task being both a delicate and onerous one. In 1869 he received the cross of the Danish Order of the Elephant. In 1871 he was requested by the Parisian Press Union to become a candidate to represent Paris in the National Assembly, but he again refused to do anything that would detach him from the army.

Since the Franco-Prussian peace, Marshal MacMahon has held the army of France in his hands, being the idol of the soldiers and beloved by his officers as their best friend and protector. No man has labored more zealously for the welfare and honor of his country than Marshal MacMahon, who, during the forty-eight years of almost continuous service in the army, has always kept strictly to the line of his duty, regardless of the factions and court cliques that rose and fell as dynasty succeeded dynasty.

### GENERAL FOREIGN NEWS.

**The Order for Enforced Levies in Spain—Butchery of Prisoners by the Carlists Denied.**

BARCELONA, May 24.—Two corpses have been found near Manresa, in this province, with a placard on each of them, bearing the words: "Killed while attempting to assassinate Don Alfonso."

The levy upon the youth, ordered by Gen. Velarde, on Thursday, is well received. Many manufacturers will continue the salaries of their operatives while they do service in the Republican ranks.

Juntas are being formed to promote the enforcement of the levy.

PERPIGNAN, May 24.—The Carlists deny the statement that a number of the volunteers who surrendered at Sanahuja, in the Spanish province of Lerida, were butchered. They state that they now hold all the prisoners captured in that town, and are ready to exchange them for Carlists in the hands of the Spanish authorities.

MADRID, May 24.—The Council of Ministers, yesterday, in postponing the elections in Cuba for deputies to the Constitutional Cortes, fixed upon no day when the voting shall take place.

**Celebration of Queen Victoria's Birthday in London.**

LONDON, May 24.—To-day, being the fifty-fourth anniversary of the birthday of Queen Victoria, is observed as a half holiday. The morning was ushered in by the firing of salutes and the ringing of bells, and the reviewing of troops incidental to the occasion will take place during the day. This evening London will be illuminated.

The Prince of Wales is visiting his sister, Princess Alice, wife of Prince Ludwig of Hesse, at Darmstadt.

**The Italian Cabinet to be Anathematized by the Pope—Funeral of Count Manzoni.**

ROME, May 24.—The Pope contemplates anathematizing the members of the Italian Cabinet, and all other parties engaged in secularizing the monasteries.

Elaborate preparations are being made for the funeral of Count Manzoni, and the ceremonies are expected to be of the most imposing character.

**The New Brazilian Legislature—Reforms Promised.**

LISBON, May 24.—Advices from Rio de Janeiro to the 3d inst. have been received here. The Emperor of Brazil had closed the old and opened the new Legislature. A number of reforms are promised.

### THE INDIANS.

**A Rising Anticipated in Nevada.**

VIRGINIA CITY, Nevada, May 23.—Parties who arrived at Elko to-day from Spruce Mountain, report that on the night of the 21st inst. some Indians were discovered stealing lead from the smelting-works, and were traced to their camps where a council was in progress, which evidently meant mischief. The speakers were violently brandishing their weapons, and freely participating in the council were fifty Goshot warriors from Utah Territory, and a number of Shoshones, all well armed. The citizens became alarmed at the appearance of the strange Goshots, and the Snakes from Idaho, organized a guard for the protection of their houses, and it was then discovered that all the powder in town had been purchased by the Indians several days previously, leaving the settlers almost defenseless. A messenger was dispatched to Camp Halleck for arms and amunition, but the commander of that post refused to supply them. Persons living in the threatened section who had been summoned to serve as jurors, petitioned the Court to be relieved from attendance in court, as their presence was needed for the protection of their families. Should the Indians make an attack, the lives of many settlers will be sacrificed, as Government assistance cannot reach them in time to prevent the loss of life. It is stated that there are but seven soldiers at Camp Halleck available for its defense, the regular garrison being in the Modoc country. Spruce Mountain is in Elko County, sixty-five miles south-east of the town of Elko.

**Arrest of a Philadelphia Forger in St. Louis—The Tobacco Fair.**

ST. LOUIS, May 24.—John T. Halzman, a Philadelphia butter merchant, who went into bankruptcy and perpetrated forgeries upon his creditors about four months ago to the amount of $10,000, was arrested here and taken back to Philadelphia to-night by a detective. Halzman has squandered most of the money during his stay in this city.

The officers of the Tobacco Association are completing arrangements for a grand tobacco fair to be held in this city on the 3d of June. The premiums to be distributed amount to over $10,000.

**An Eastern Terminus for the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad.**

FORTRESS MONROE, Va., May 24.—Messrs. Washington McLean and John L. Faran, of the Cincinnati *Enquirer*, and some other gentlemen of that city, are here on a visit, examining into the relative merits of Norfolk, Yorktown, and Newport News, as a terminus for the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad.

The Summer hotel at this place was opened to-day, and also the one at Sewall's Point. About forty guests have already arrived here.

The fleet of vessels in the Roads, which put in for a harbor, sailed to-day.

## VIENNA'S FAIR.

### The Financial Crisis—Causes and Effects—Metropolitan Prices—Hotel-Keepers' Extortion—The American Department.

From a Special Correspondent.

VIENNA, Saturday, May 10, 1873.

It is with no feeling of pleasure that I try to write of the condition of things in this city, for, having taken an optimist view of the situation from the beginning, I feel a deep regret at the turn affairs have recently taken. The great financial crisis which has, unhappily, fallen upon Vienna, has given us the assurance that the exposition will terminate in disaster. And for this the Viennese are alone responsible. The causes of the crisis are purely local, and no better proof is needed than the fact that, while local values fell 200 per cent. yesterday, foreign values were subjected to a fall scarcely above that seen in other cities when a large proportion of the general capital is locked up in speculations which require time for their realization. A history of this crisis would furnish a curious and instructive chapter upon human cupidity and unbridled human aspirations. If I were to go to the bottom of the matter I should be obliged to look at the political state of Europe and inquire why Germany feels the immediate necessity of another war, and why Austria, unable to make war or to join in with strong allies, was obliged to offer a peaceful excitement to public restlessness and to the half-defined longings of the public mind. The first idea of the exposition was that it would furnish a solution to a vexatious problem and give an impulse to the productive, industrial, and trading energies of the country. In itself the idea is excellent, but the interpretation put upon it by all classes in Austria is fatally bad. The moment the exposition was regarded as a mere trap to entice strangers into the toils of the tradesmen and dealers of Vienna, that moment the great project became a danger. Great moderation was necessary in order to insure the measure of success hoped for by the Government and the organizers of the exhibition, and the dome of the building had barely risen above the trees in the Prater before the entire community threw moderation to the winds and rushed at once into the wildest speculation. Scores of magnificent hotels were run up in two or three months' time, and along the Rings, the sites of the razed fortifications, large, handsome, showy buildings were erected by the dozen in nearly every quarter. A number of building companies were organized, each having a very large nominal capital, and all classes were not only invited but strongly urged to invest their money in the bonds of these companies. Money came in rapidly, even the domestics giving up their small economies under the very tempting promises of large returns with scarcely any risks. Indeed, such a thing as risk was not allowed to enter into the estimates and calculations. The idea that the rich of all countries were coming to Vienna to scatter their money about in profusion was not confined to the lower and generally unreflecting classes. The directors of these companies—and in this must be included cab companies, house-leasing companies, banking and money-changing companies, restaurant, hotel, and furnishing companies, and a score or more companies of the sort—the directors, I say, went upon the idea that there could be no chance of loss, and expended every shilling of their money in more extended preparations. The consequence was that all of these companies were burdened with debts hypothecated upon future prospects, and had no money in hand. Any one can see that such a system demands a constant and unvarying success, and that the slightest suspicion thrown upon the validity of these hypothecated future prospects must bring on a panic and a crisis which would be felt in every quarter.

METROPOLITAN PRICES.

Since this is so apparent to every outsider, it would appear singular if none in Vienna were impressed with it, and one would expect all classes to work together upon the conditions necessary to produce a large influx of strangers, and the necessary conditions for keeping them as long as possible when once there. But the entire community seemed to proceed upon the idea that strangers must come, and that they could be fleeced before getting away. The hotels put up their prices, and would make no contracts beyond the 1st of May. Even before the opening from $5 to $50 per diem were asked for very modest lodgings, and the prices upon the bills of fare were carried to an exorbitant figure. For the second course in a dinner, fish of almost any sort, one was charged a dollar, and each slice of roast meat was put down at prices ranging from fifty to eighty cents. Vegetables were extra, bread was extra, butter was charged extra when one asked for bread and butter, the object being to swell the total by adding a small sum to each article thus separated. The common Austrian wines were raised more than fifty per cent., and French wines (champagne and Bordeaux) were held at double the prices for which they are ordinarily sold in Europe. Perhaps the best illustration of this separating system is found in the item of service, and in this I had a curious experience in getting out of the Grand Hotel in order to go to an hotel which suited me better. It costs one florin forty kreutzers to go in, and you have to pay two and a half florins to go away. The difference goes to the porter, and is his commission for ordering a carriage. Only those carriages ordered by him are allowed to enter the court, and unless you can reconcile yourself to the sneers of a dozen lackeys, you are forced to accept the terms. Besides, it does look small to have your baggage carried out by a porter to a cab standing far away in the street, and I should advise everyone to pay the charge rather than attempt economy in this direction. Service is charged in your bill at fifty kreutzers per day. On leaving, the man who swept my room demanded pay on the ground that the service charged paid the chamber-maid merely. Then the man who cleaned the boots demanded ten kreutzers a pair for his services, as he was not paid by the hotel. The use of the lift was free, but one is asked for a gratuity as the engineer is not paid regularly. A porter brings down the luggage, and waits for pay, and beside him stand the waiter, who takes the hats and coats, and one of the many who attend at table, and to whom you have paid a few kreutzers at each repast. I should here state that the bill for room-rent is sent in every day, to be paid every three days, or not later than a week, and everything eaten is paid for at table. If you dine at the table d'hôte, three florins and a half are demanded before you rise from the table. Then another man puts your luggage upon the carriage and opens the door, holding it open until you have paid his fees. These are small and vulgar details, it may be, but they are just the details which cost so much money, and which always put our countrymen in a towering passion. Out of every ten who leave these hotels eight at least shake the dust from their feet in a state of impotent wrath worthy the *bouillant* Achille. I do not state the total because it varies according to the circumstances, and chiefly according to the small change you have. As a general thing anything less than a florin proves highly disagreeable to the waiter, and he has a faculty of expressing his contempt which is far more expressive than pleasant. Roughly speaking, one should estimate the cost of getting out of one of these hotels at from eight to ten florins, and this after you have paid every thing charged to you at unheard-of rates. A great many try to reduce their bills by taking their meals outside at some of the restaurants, and the thing is possible. You can get a dinner for two florins even, but you will probably be quite satisfied with one of the kind. A person able to live at a third or fourth rate restaurant, which I honestly confess I am not, can live at a fair rate in Vienna. To me all the meats given have precisely the same taste, and all are swimming in a sort of nasty grease which never suited my palate. For a person brought up on bacon and greens to turn up his nose at the Vienna restaraunts may seem like snobbery, but those who have tried them will recognize the force of what I say. And furthermore, the greasy viands offered you are strongly scented with garlic or kümmel, and have to be eaten in a cloud of tobacco-smoke so thick that one can scarcely distinguish the features of those across the room. My advice to those who are obliged to eat at these places—who are forced to do so by circumstances over which they have no control—is to dine out as often as convenient with some friend at one of the hotels. Of course I speak now of the cheap restaurants, for there are some excellent places in Vienna, where you will not only find good food well cooked, good wines and excellent service, but a bill equal to the advantages enjoyed. After trying them one comes back to the table d'hôte at three and a half florins, or four florins with wine, as about the fairest thing in its way to be found in the city. Apartments vary in price, according to locality and size. On the third floor a small sitting-room and bedroom cost about ten florins a day, and from that to fifteen according to size. With two small bedrooms and sitting-room the fancy prices begin, and one can start at fifteen and go up to thirty. Three or four rooms begin at twenty and go up to 100 florins, the latter being paid at my hotel—one of the cheapest in the city by the way—by Mr. Krupp, of rifled-cannon fame.

HOTEL-KEEPERS' EXTORTION.

To return to the financial crisis with this in mind gives us a perfect comprehension of it. There was a large influx of strangers a few days before the 1st of May, and every hotel was crowded. All were grumbling about the prices. Suddenly many of the hotels sent round a small note to say that on and after the 1st of May the present prices for rooms would be doubled. There was then, to use an old war term, a perfect "skedaddle." The rumor spread that two of the new hotels would not raise their prices, and there was a rush for them; but I believe that I was about the last man admitted at ante-Mayday rates, for I tried in vain to get in a score of my personal friends. Failing, therefore, to get into these houses, the second plan was to leave Vienna the day after the exposition was visited. In view, probably, of something of the sort to a limited extent, the directors had made arrangements for themselves, and the price of admittance was fixed at twenty-five florins on the first and five florins on the three succeeding days. This exorbitant sum was paid by thousands, although every one knew that the exposition was not ready to be seen, and on the 4th and 5th of May there was a general stampede in every direction. On the evening of the 5th, there was an abundance of room in all the hotels, except the two to which I have alluded, and which I do not name, to avoid the appearance of a puff. On the 6th, there was general consternation; on the 7th, the poorer bond holders in the various companies got frightened, and tried to sell at any price; and on the morning of the 8th, half a dozen of the most important speculators upon the Bourse had to go into liquidation. Yesterday the panic was fearful. About the doors of the Bourse there was a group of some 200 speculators in a state of wild excitement, and at every moment news came that some other house had closed its doors. By midday the Bourse had to close also. The entire success of the exposition resting upon the establishment of public confidence at once, the Government promptly came to the aid of these companies with a loan of 12,000,000 of florins, soon increased to 20,000,000 when the first appropriation was found insufficient. This sum will probably be increased on Monday. At the same time a resolution was taken to place the restaurants under the surveillance of the police, and to force down the outrageous prices now demanded by the hotels. The effect of this measure is not yet visible, but there is a vast amount of growling and curses, loud and deep, in every direction. What the result will be is more than any one can predict, but of one thing we may be assured, that the present panic has seriously injured the success of the exposition. The newspapers have already told the world of the rapacity of the Viennese, and this will keep away all but those who are able to pay for the luxury of such a visit.

THE AMERICAN DEPARTMENT.

Work upon the American department is going forward more briskly, but affairs within the commission are in a scandalous state of disorder. After enjoying the honors of the opening, and dining with the Emperor, Mr. Le Grand Cannon and Mr. Roosevelt have resigned, and a new set of men have to be *temporarily* appointed. Mr. Adams and Mr. Schultz appear to be the next men on the list, but one, at least, says he shall remain only a week or two, and the other will not remain long. A few working men have been found, luckily, and they are helping on exhibitors *temporarily*.

**The Cattle Robberies on the Rio Grande.**

BROWNSVILLE, Texas, May 24.—To-day's *Sentinel*, in mentioning the various cattle robberies committed this month by armed Mexicans, places the number stolen and crossed into Mexico within a radius of sixty miles of this city, at not less than 1,000 head, while higher up the river a proportionate number has been driven into Mexico. The reported raid of Col. Mackenzie into the Kickapoo camp in Mexico, and the punishment of the Indians, have caused very general satisfaction here, and will tend to lessen depredations if the Mackenzie policy is carried out.

### NEW-ORLEANS.

**Departure of the Congressional Party—Decoration Day.**

*Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.*

NEW-ORLEANS, May 24.—The Congressional excursion party, which arrived in this city the other day from St. Louis, on their way to Texas, left town this afternoon. The visit to New Orleans was shortened in consequence of the want of cordiality displayed toward the excursionists by the citizens. Instead of the expected welcome the visitors were greeted with insulting remarks from the Southern chivalry. All of the party are well, and express themselves as much pleased by the incidents of their trip.

The *Picayune* has an article to-day in which it makes an attempt to burlesque the proclamation of President Grant. It condemns the course of the Administration, and stigmatizes the proclamation as containing insane ravings worse than anything uttered by George Francis Train.

The preparations for decorating the soldiers' graves, on the 30th inst., promise to be of an interesting character, and the ceremonies will be largely attended by the loyal portion of the community.

### COLOMBIA.

**The Civil War in Panama—The Attack on the City—Conditions of Peace.**

PANAMA, May 15.—At the date of the last dispatch to the Associated Press regarding the state of the civil warfare in Panama, a suspension of arms had been agreed to between the belligerents. Commissioners were appointed on both sides, and the following conditions of peace accepted and published in the *Official Gazette* of the 11th inst.:

That Señor Pernett, who was Prefect of Aspinwall, be called to exercise the office of Provisional President.

That Damaso Cervera and the revolutionary Government recognize anew the constitutional Government of Señor Gabriel Neira.

Señor Juan Pernett to take charge of the Presidency of the State until the arrival of Gen. Neira; the present State troops to be disbanded; all expenses to be borne by the State Treasury, and a general amnesty accorded for all political offenses.

In accordance with the above, two commissioners were to leave Aspinwall on the 15th inst. for Barranquilla to acquaint Gen. Neira of the change in his favor, and accompany him back. His arrival here is expected on the 19th or 20th.

The city, though apparently tranquil, is ill at ease. The condition that the State forces should give up their arms has not been fully complied with, most of the soldiers preferring to run away in the woods with their arms.

In the contest some 200,000 shots have been fired on both sides. The National Battalion, which led the attack on the party in the suburbs, had at most 150 men, and those outside from 400 to 500. The former lost 23 killed and 33 wounded, and the outsiders about twice that number. There has been a good deal of destruction of property outside the walls, the city suffering little. The blame of this sanguinary outbreak is generally given to ex-President Correoso, who returned here from Central America when matters appeared to be tending to a peaceful solution. He, apparently to gratify his followers on the outside, entered into angry discussions with the officers of the National Guard, and insisted that they should recognize the revolutionary Government or he would have them disarmed. The battalion, seeing that they might be attacked and shut up within their barracks, took the initiative, and sallied out at midday of the 7th, took the barracks of the State troops within the city by a *coup de main*, and then proceeded out to make an attack on those intrenched in the square of the suburbs.

The movement gave rise to a fierce firing of rifles and artillery on both sides, which lasted through the night until next day, when a suspension of arms was agreed to. While the contest was going on, Mr. Corwine, the agent of the Pacific Mail Company and Panama Railroad Company, requested Rear Addmiral Steedman, of the United States ship Pensacola, which just arrived in time, to furnish a guard of marines for the security of the transit. Sixty men were accordingly landed at the station, where they still remain. Next day the merchants and leading foreign citizens, fearing that if the outside party, consisting chiefly of blacks, should repulse the attack made on them by the national forces, they might enter the city and take their revenge, formed a meeting, addressed a letter to the Admiral through United States Consul Dr. Long, and sent off commissioners on board of the Pensacola to urge on Admiral Steedman the necessity of sending a force on shore to occupy the city as a precautionary measure, and to afford protection to life and property, should events make it necessary to do so. Admiral Steedman, on fully having the situation explained to him by the Commissioners, Mr. James Boyd, of the *Star & Herald*, and Mr. George F. Wilson, agreed to their request, and ordered 130 more men to be landed with the arms necessary to command respect, and to act as circumstances demanded. One hundred of these remained stationed in the *cabildo*, in the principal plaza, till the 12th, when, matters being somewhat arranged, the authorities thanked the Admiral and requested that they might be withdrawn. This act on the part of Admiral Steedman has had a beneficial and restraining moral effect, as well as diffusing among the natives, as well as foreigners, a greater sense of security. The officers and men have behaved with the greatest order and decorum, and their cool attitude left the impression that, had the occasion called for it, they would have given a good account of their mission. The force at the railroad station, now some ninety strong, still remains there as a precautionary measure, affairs being yet uncertain. The officers in command of the force sent on shore were Lieut. Commander Jewell, of the Tuscarora, in command of the railroad station; and Lieut. Commander Harrington, assisted by Lieut. Mason, both of the Pensacola, in command of the city.

Ex-President Correoso, who was about to return to his mission in Central America, has been asked to remain until all uncertainty of further disorder has ceased—a symptom that confidence is not yet restored in the minds of those best calculated to judge of the amount of hostile feeling still latent among the lower outside classes, and who, though disbanded, still retain their arms.

### SOUTH AMERICA.

**Destructive Fire at Callao—Loss $800,000.**

The steamer Arequipa, from the south coast, arrived in Panama on the 14th inst., with Callao dates to the 6th inst. The *Dos de Mayo*, the anniversary of the day of the defeat of the Spanish fleet at Callao, was celebrated in Peru with great enthusiasm. There was a general military review by the President in Callao, with an extensive display of fire-works and illuminations. The same evening a serious conflagration took place in Callao, which consumed a portion of the principal street, commencing at the Hotel del Comercio and ending at the corner of the Matris Plaza. The loss is estimated at $800,000; the insurance is inconsiderable. We have no details of the fire further than that no American citizens suffered severely by it.

**Cold-Blooded Murder in West Philadelphia.**

PHILADELPHIA, May 24.—Information was received to-night at the police head-quarters of a cold-blooded murder at the corner of Vine and Fifty-seventh streets, in West Philadelphia. A colored woman, named Lucinda Frisbee Cuff, shot and instantly killed Thomas Price, also colored, aged twenty-three years. There was no provocation for the shooting. The murderess was arrested.

**Suicide of a Well-Known Citizen of Norfolk.**

NORFOLK, Va., May 24.—Edward W. Hardy, an old and respected citizen of this city, committed suicide, early this morning, by shooting himself through the head with a revolver. His suicide is attributed to family troubles.

## WASHINGTON.

### Civil Service Reform—The Kellogg Government Sustained by the Louisiana Courts—Land Grant Claims.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 24.—The Cabinet officers and the Civil Service Commissioners, at their joint meeting to-day, discussed at great length the questions pertaining to civil service reform; and, after a full interchange of views, it was resolved to leave the subject with the Advisory Board. The utmost harmony of views concerning the necessity of strengthening and fostering the civil service system existed at the consultation.

THE KELLOGG GOVERNMENT SUSTAINED BY THE LOUISIANA COURTS.

The Attorney General this morning received a dispatch stating that the Supreme Court of Louisiana has just decided two cases of contest for office under the intrusion act, and in both cases the legality of the officers holding under the Kellogg government was sustained. It is also said that the opposition in Louisiana is dissatisfied with Senator Carpenter's speech.

A REPORT CONTRADICTED.

The report that the Secretary of the Treasury has ordered the transfer of $2,000,000 of gold from San Francisco to Washington is untrue. There is no need of bringing Government gold from San Francisco, or of sending greenbacks there. On the contrary, the Treasury is short of greenbacks, and as the Government has accommodations for $9,000,000 of gold in San Francisco, where now there are only some $6,000,000, and the new greenbacks in circulation on the Pacific coast do not require replacement, no present probability exists of any transfer being ordered either way.

ARMY NEWS.

By direction of the President, a general Court-martial is appointed to meet at Ringgold Barracks, Texas, June 5, for the trial of First Lieut. Charles T. Davis, Tenth Infantry; First Lieut. Henry F. Leggett, Twenty-fourth Infantry, and such other prisoners as may be ordered before it. The following is the detail of the Court: Col. Edward Hatch, Ninth Cavalry; Col. Doubleday, Twenty-fourth Infantry; Major Wade, Ninth Cavalry; Capt. Corbin, Twenty-fourth Infantry; Capt. Gilmore, Twenty-fourth Infantry; Capt. Hogen, Ninth Cavalry; Capt. Humfreville, Ninth Cavalry; Capt. John W. Clouse, Twenty-fourth Infantry, Judge Advocate of the Court. Leave of absence for four months, with permission to go beyond the sea, is granted Capt. Jared A. Smith, Corps of Engineers.

NAVY ORDERS.

Detached—Lieut. Commander William R. Bridgeman, from the Constellation, and placed on waiting orders; Lieut. George A. Baldy, from the Michigan, and ordered to the Saranac; Ensign T. P. Comley, from the Receiving-ship Potomac, and ordered to the Juniata; Chaplain John B. Van Meter, from the Naval Academy, and ordered to hold himself in readiness for sea service. First Lieut. C. L. Hooper has been detached from the revenue steamer Hamilton, at Wilmington, Del., and ordered to the Passenden, at Detroit. First Lieut. L. G. Shepherd has been ordered to the Hamilton.

RAILROAD LAND GRANTS.

The Secretary of the Interior has overruled the application of the McGregor and Missouri River Railroad Company for the reversal of his decision recently rendered against the said company and in favor of the St. Paul and Sioux City Railway Company, involving the title to certain lands covered by overlapping land grants. The Northern Pacific Railroad Company has filed with the Secretary of the Interior maps showing the definite location of its road between the Red River of the North and the Missouri River. This is a formality to secure the permanent withdrawal of the lands on this portion of the route granted to the company.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The Secretary of War, at the request of Prof. Hayden, has ordered a signal station to be established on the summit of Pike's Peak.

The President has appointed Darius Sullivan to be Postmaster at Clinton, Mo.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Amount of fractional currency received from the printers during the week ending to-day, $783,000; shipments, $801,600; shipments of notes, $786,500; the Treasurer holds as security for the national banks circulation, $389,489,800, and for public deposits, $15,635,000; internal revenue receipts to-day, $292,133; receipts for the month, $9,932,221, and for the fiscal year, to date, $103,595,335; national bank currency outstanding at this date, $345,043,331; national bank gold circulation, $1,736,000.

TREASURY BALANCES.

The balances in the Treasury of the United States, at the close of business to-day, were: Currency, $4,374,509; special deposits of legal tenders for the redemption of certificates of deposit, $28,960,000; coin, $75,103,277, including $26,439,100 in coin certificates. Outstanding legal tenders, $356,665,028.

### MASSACHUSETTS.

**Members of the Massachusetts Medical Society Expelled for Practicing Homeopathy.**

BOSTON, Mass., May 24.—The Board of Trial of the Massachusetts Medical Society, which recently tried certain members of the society for practicing homeopathy, on the ground that such practice violated their right to membership, rendered a decision to-day, and served a copy upon each member mentioned below, which closes as follows:

The parties having been fully heard, and evidence and arguments on each side fully considered, we do find and determine that said charges and specifications are all fully proved against each of the said accused persons, and they are severally guilty of the charges aforesaid—guilty of conduct unbecoming and unworthy an honorable physician—by practicing homeopathy; and we therefore adjudge and determine that said William Bushnell, Milton Fuller, H. L. H. Hoffendahl, George Russell, J. T. Talbot, Davis Thayer, Benjamin H. West, be therefore expelled from their membership of the Massachusetts Medical Society, and report this our determination to the Massachusetts Medical Society at its annual meeting, for such action thereupon as to the society may seem fit.

(Signed,) Jeremiah Spofford, Augustus Torrey, George Hayward, Frederick Winsor—a majority of the Board of Trial.

**Success of the Bazaar of all Nations.**

BOSTON, May 24.—"The Bazaar of All Nations"—a fair at Music Hall, in aid of the building fund of the Young Men's Christian Association—closed last evening, with satisfactory results. The net profits footing up over $45,000, and the balance of goods and costumes being worth $20,000. Negotiations for the use of the buildings and costumes have been made with several cities, which will add, largely to the receipts.

**Shad Caught in Lake Ontario.**

ROCHEST

# CURRENT LITERATURE.

## IN MEMORIAM.

Loving and loved, here from life's ardent prime
Near three-score years and ten he worked, and taught,
Forcing from stony pages of past Time
Their buried truths. Here from his glowing thought
An eloquent speech our wondering grandsires caught
New love for Nature's lore. Our fathers here,
And here ourselves have known his teachings fraught
With interest ever fresh, and loved to hear
His racy wit, and mark his kindling eye
Flash to new truths welcome from fear all free,
Greeting God's light in each.
Here lovingly
Raise we a shrine, wherein our sons may see
His garnered treasures—which may teach, and be
Meet monument to Sedgwick's memory.

—*John C. Conybeare.*

CAMBRIDGE, Wednesday, 26th March, 1873.

## "YOU MUST KNOW BANKS!"

My wife and I resolved to retire from the perplexities and publicity of a town life into the innocent ease and obscurity of a country village; and having made up our minds to move, we tried to settle the whereabouts. After answering a hundred advertisements of small and singularly unobjectionable houses, and visiting some fifty of them, we fixed on one on the outskirts of the large village of Sefton. We imagine ourselves scientific, so we made our choice with a view to ferns, aquariums, flowers, mosses, and other roots of experimental philosophy. Of course our new neighbors looked on us as over-learned, seeing these symptoms of abstruseness, and complimented us by declaring we had quite a museum indoors and horticultural gardens out. We had not succeeded in obtaining much celebrity before, but we soon became even more celebrated than we desired.

As one neighbor called after another, and all were introduced to our curiosities, natural and artificial, the general cry was, "O, you should know Banks! You must know Banks!"

"Who is Banks?" we asked.

"Such a clever man! quite a genius. Has been all over the world, and knows everything. Lives alone in that lovely place the other side of the village, and has the most beautiful garden and fernery in the country."

"What is he like?" asks my wife interested.

"Well, like clever people generally. Careless of his appearance and peculiar looking."

"Humph!" say I, glancing at my wife to see how she will take this; for, between ourselves, she considers herself clever, and is especially particular in her dress, and is anything but peculiar-looking.

"That theory was exploded when Hannah More died. Clever people are no longer peculiar," she says satirically.

"Everybody is clever nowadays," I remark sententiously.

At the end of each day, as our last visitor departed, my wife would say:

"How strange that Banks has not called! We must know Banks."

We are naturally fond of society, and were soon admitted into the various coteries of the village and its neighborhood. We went to dinners, afternoon teas, suppers, wherever we were invited, and soon became quite popular people; but we never met Banks. Either he was not at home or he had excused himself on this plea or that; or he had not been invited, for "it was no good to invite him; he always declined."

Even in this seventh heaven of country love and peace, there was bitterness, and my wife's happiness was alloyed because she could not "know Banks."

"If they would not din his name into my ears forever, I should be indifferent," she said; "but we really must make his acquaintance."

"We have no daughters to marry, so why are you so anxious about a bachelor?" I ask, beginning to feel jealous.

"He is evidently the only person in the place worth knowing," she replies. "Besides, he gives to everything. I see his name down for every charity, and I want to ask for a subscription to my pet Dorcas."

"Write him a polite note in the third person."

"I will; then we must know Banks."

The sentence had become a proverb and joke between us.

My wife wrote, and in a week or so received a note and £5, with Mr. Banks' compliments. She composed so elaborate an acknowledgment, that I accused her of writing a love-letter, and getting fast in her old age. I got a good snubbing in return.

We were celebrated for our little dinners; but even they were not as charming as they used to be for lack of this unattainable element, and I now grew anxious to secure it. We passed and repassed his house—paused to look at his profusion of flowers and ferns—sought for him at church, where, we were told, he was to be seen twice each Sunday, but failed to see him. Once we were walking with a friend, who exclaimed suddenly, "There is Banks! I want to speak to him;" and we perceived a tallish man in the distance, whose only remarkable feature was a wide-awake. On another occasion, a young lady was with us, and she said with a blush and simper, "Here is Mr. Banks!" as somebody passed rapidly and raised his hat.

"He is nothing particular after all," said my wife, glancing back.

"O, he is charming! Don't you know Mr. Banks?" said the young lady.

One day, however, when we were near his house, we saw a man working in the garden. My wife said impulsively,

"There is the gardener! I must ask him for a bit of that curious fern."

She started across the road, and I followed humbly, as I am always compelled to do. I hear her make her requests in her most gracious and bland manner, and see the gardener turn and approach the railing.

"You have such a lovely garden. It does you so much honor," she says, while I examine the man.

"Will you walk in and look at it, and make choice of any specimens you fancy?" he said politely, but nervously, and with a slight impediment in his speech.

He went toward a small gate leading into a shrubbery at the bottom of the garden, my wife skirting the railing in the same direction, and I following with a chuckled "Now we shall know Banks."

"You may be sure he is not at home, or we should not be asked in," said she.

I always say that it is no wonder I am jealous, for my wife's manner is certainly frightfully attractive. It was quite as courteous to her gardener as it could have been to the enviable Banks himself.

"So much obliged to you. This is quite a paradise," she says, passing through the gate held open by the gardener, and adding carelessly, "I suppose Mr. Banks is not at home?"

"I am Mr. Banks," was the curt reply.

Thus, at last, we knew Banks! My wife was confused for a moment, during which brief period I came to the rescue, with—

"You must excuse our intrusion; for having heard of your choice ferns, we could no more resist their attraction than a moth a candle's. My wife is the most resolute specimen-hunter in the world."

"And we have heard so much of you and your treasures that we have been dying to be acquainted with you ever since we have been here," said that lady, recovering herself.

"I intended to do myself the pleasure," began Banks, and paused.

"We have hoped and despaired so long that we have anticipated you," said my wife, laughing, and venturing to look at Banks for the first time.

He was a man of about forty, or perhaps less, young and yet old-looking—with that expression of mingled reserve, sweetness, and melancholy which women call "interesting." He had a broad forehead, well lined either with thought or care, and deep-set, expressive gray eyes. They were rather like my wife's, and I perceived that when they glanced at one another, a sort of understanding, one might almost say mesmeric sympathy, passed from one to the other.

We were soon all three engaged in conversation on topics of mutual interest. He had not been overrated, and was certainly an agreeable, clever, and in some sort scientific man. He showed us his garden, which was laid out with great taste, and which he said he cultivated mainly himself; his fernery, containing every specimen of fern capable of bearing the English climate, and a rockery covered with various specimens of parasitical plants, mosses, and lichens that must have cost him years of labor to collect and make flourish. But what pleased my wife and me most, in spite of our scientific proclivities, was a dell outside the garden, which held a rustic seat, and through which a tiny rivulet ran. Here was every wild-flower that bounteous Spring lavishes on ungrateful man, and every bird that sings in England's air. Crumbs were visible, for which Mr. Banks excused himself by saying that he had got into the habit of strewing them in Winter, and continued it all the year round.

"The nightingale favors me sometimes," he said, "and some of the birds are quite tame."

As if in proof of his assertion, a thrush burst into song so near us that I turned in surprise, and saw the bird so close that I could have caught it. I was, in effect, about to make the attempt! but Banks arrested me, saying quietly,

"I never molest them, and I have educated Flush to respect their privileges."

He pointed to a shaggy terrier, following close at his heels.

"That was Mrs. Browning's dog!" said my wife, who was a devoted lover of that great poetess.

"Yes. I named this dear friend after him. Mrs. Browning understood that a dog was truly one's fastest friend. My Flush, like hers, has

> 'Watched within a curtained room,
> Where no sunbeam break the gloom,
> Round the sick and dreary.'"

At the sound of his name, Flush sprang upon his master, and licked his hand, while I remarked that Mrs. Browning's letters to Mr. Wedgewood concerning Flush were almost more delightfully earnest than her poem.

As we could not remain in this enchanted land forever, we prepared to leave it. My wife's hands, and arms even, were filled with floricultural treasures, so that she might easily have bowed herself off; but shake hands she would and did; so we all parted more as friends than strangers.

We expected a visit from Banks the next day—at least my wife did—but we were disappointed. The week passed, and he did not come.

"Your fascinations have failed for once," I say.

"I shall send him that lycopodium he was asking about, and then he must come," she replies.

"We will know Banks!" I cry suspiciously.

The lycopodium went, and a note of thanks was returned; still he did not call. But he waylaid us as we again passed his house—we were always passing his house—and graciously acknowledged the gift. Down came a quick, pattering, unexpected April shower, and we had no umbrella. Politeness compelled him to offer shelter, and we went into his house.

"Well, we have succeeded at last, Mr. Banks," I say, when we are happily engaged in surveying his small aquarium and vaunting our own; Flush was at his side.

He looks inquisitive. my wife reproachful, for she knows me, and expects something disagreeable; but I continue provokingly:

"You will not come to the mountain, so the mountain has forced itself upon you. My wife thinks you are the only person worth knowing in Sefton, and, woman-like, she has made your acquaintance."

I believe they both blushed, as he muttered something about "too much honor." I know my wife looked indignantly at me.

"Will you waive ceremony and dine with us to-morrow?" I continue. "We have many pursuits in common, and we have some things that may interest you. We shall be quite alone, and have not even a marriageable daughter."

He smiled, and his smile was winning. I was conscious of being better dressed, even better looking, but I could not boast of such a smile as that; and I glanced at my wife to see if she had observed it. Of course she had, for nothing ever escapes her.

"I go little into society; but I shall be very happy," he said, to my great surprise and my wife's undisguised delight.

She had compassed her end at last, and we should know Banks! No sooner did we reach home than she began preparations for the *petit dîner* of the morrow.

"You never took half so much trouble for me!" I grumble.

"You were never half so interesting," she retorts.

Well, we triumphed in having Banks all to ourselves. We were *trois têtes dans un bonnet;* for as soon as he overcame a slight shyness at finding himself reversing the etiquette of society, he entered into all our pet theories with evident interest. He was a delightful companion; and I regarded my wife's pleasure in securing him with my usual cynical jealousy. I must not forget to say that he was accompanied by Flush, for whose presence he apologized by the assurance that they were inseparable.

By degrees we also grew to be nearly inseparable; that is to say, my wife tamed him so judiciously that he came to us whenever he liked, and our intimacy gradually ripened into friendship. We discovered that he had been a great traveler; an extensive reader; a wandering philanthropist; but of his private history we could glean nothing. He was known to be of good family and ample means, and there was no ascertained blight on his name or fame; but he lived alone, and seemed to have few personal friends. He was, however, a good deal from home, and my wife had no doubt but that he went to visit his relations.

As she was the most consummate and determined of match-makers, my jealousy was excited because she did not propose to find a wife for Banks. I mooted the subject cautiously one day, when she assured me she had been thinking of it, but that she intended him to supply my place when kindly Nature had finished her work with me.

"I am the tougher of the two," I say, grimly.

"Well, I have considered that side of the question, also," she replied, reflectively; "so I mean to keep you both as long as I can, and be consoled by the survivor when one shall depart."

"What if you should go first?" I ask.

"Then it will be for me to look out, and I shall at once propose for Addy."

"Addy would no more have you than the Great Mogul; but she would just suit Banks," says my wife, reflectively. "Let us ask her to come."

"With all my heart; but you know she will see no one but ourselves," I reply.

"That will suit very well; for then you and she can amuse one another, and I will improve the occasion with Banks. We *do* know Banks."

My wife always acts on the spur of the moment; for, like her sex generally, she is what has been delicately called "a creature of impulse." She wrote her invitation at once, talking to me the whole time.

"It will be rich fun to try and bring them together. He declines to meet our friends; she has given up society since her husband's death. *I* should have consoled myself long ago, for he was no better than a mummy or a jelly-fish! But I could not change my name for Banks! Adelaide Percy could never become Adelaide Banks!"

"I thought you intended us to remain as we are, until you could marry Banks, and I Addy," I suggest.

"I don't quite understand your position," she remarks, signing her name in letters that filled a line.

Neither did I; but I suggested that we should be like the Kilkenny cats; a story that puzzled me when I was young, and puzzles me still.

The Adelaide Percy to whom this suddenly-improvised invitation was sent was the widow of Marmaduke Percy, Esq., M.P. for ——shire. We had been on a visit to her just before we had the happiness first "to know Banks," and shortly after her husband's death. Why she had married for female society, he replied; and I could get no more out of him.

We found the ladies even more silent than we had been, and they did not, as is their rule, brighten up when we appeared. But Banks grew exceedingly lively, and was so devoted to my wife, that I remarked aside to Addy that I began to feel jealous. It was strange how he lingered on—strange how he looked from time to time at immovable Addy, who sat with her elbow on the table, shrouding her face with a white hand, on which was the ring which had bound her to old Percy, and no other. She had left off her weeds, and was only in slight mourning—something black and white, I remember it was, which became her wonderfully.

When at last he and Flush rose to go, she rose also; and when he had wished my wife and me good-night, and was about to make her a distant bow, she walked toward him and held out her hand. The action must have been premeditated, for it had the calm dignity of a certain thoughtfulness, which was touching even to the bystanders, and overpowering to him who took the hand, held it a moment, then let it go without speaking.

What did it all mean? I resolved to find out with my rational inquisitiveness, my wife having failed with her hyper-inquisitiveness.

"And you have had the advantage of us all these years, Addy?" I said; "you *do* know Banks!"

"Yes," said Addy, with a large tear in her eye.

"Do tell us all about it; we are dying to know."

"I met Mr. Banks abroad at the saddest time of my whole life," said Addy, in the same calm premeditated sort of way as the previous outholding of her hand. "His mother and my brother were killed in that frightful railway accident at Milan, and he and I were left alone. He was very good to me. Do not ask me any more, dear, dear friends."

She sat down and burst into tears. It was our last attempt at curiosity, for we knew that the frightful catastrophe which had caused the death of a brother she loved with all her heart had been the precursor of a long illness and brain fever. We had heard that she was alone at the time, and that, until her parents reached her, she had been indebted to strangers for care and aid. Still we could not account for her peculiar kind of emotion on meeting Banks, or for his strange manner.

"There is something under the rose," said my wife.

"Your match-making may as well be stowed away with it," quoth I.

"On the contrary, I shall invite Banks again every day and all day," said she.

But the following morning we ascertained that our restless friend had left home for an indefinite period, and his servants did not know where he was gone. It was my wife's pleasure that Addy should not be told this, and we prevailed on her to remain with us longer than she intended. Her manner grew fitful and excitable, and my wife declared that she started at every sound, and turned red and pale at every bell. I began to hint that she was not, after all, the piece of calm perfection I had imagined, but a mere woman, and my wife required to know what I could desire better.

More than a month passed thus, when we were suddenly informed that an old and favorite horse belonging to Banks was ill, and that he had been telegraphed for, and had returned immediately. He had often told us that he had two faithful friends, his horse and dog.

"We must go and see after him," said my wife. "If that stupid old horse dies, he will shoot himself, and leave orders that they shall be buried together. Addy, there are marvelous recipes for moribund quadrupeds in that huge folio over the dining-room window. Look them out while we are away. Chivers will bring you the steps; but take care you don't break your neck, or we shall have to add you to the hecatomb."

Addy was struggling with some emotion, but turned upon this into my piece of calm perfection again.

We found Banks in the stable in the utmost distress. The horse was apparently dying.

"How kind of you," he said, wringing my hand.

"My father had a horse just in this state, and one of those old recipes cured him," said my sagacious wife.

"Where is it? How can I get it?" asked Banks. "May I go with you and procure it, and have it made up at the chemist's at once?"

He had great faith in my wife's judgment; so we all hurried off together, leaving the horse to the groom and farrier. He outstrode us in his excitement, and was in the hall while we were barely on the threshold. Addy came out of the dining-room, breathless, exclaiming, "I have found them. How is he—how is the horse?"

They met face to face, and we heard him say: "Good heavens! Adelaide again!" as he strove to hurry past her.

"O, this is cruel! let us be friends!" she cried desperately.

"Friends! with one who has been the ruin of my life!—never! I have but one friend, and he lies dying," he said in a low hoarse voice.

Flush understood him, and barked a sharp protest.

"Ay, I forgot my poor Flush," he added, stooping over the dog, whose large eyes looked as reproachful as Adelaide's.

She hastened up-stairs as he entered the hall, with the words, "Hard! unforgiving!" on her lips.

We found the folio open at the recipes, and two or three copied out in her clear, large handwriting. My wife selected one, and gave it to Banks, who crumpled it up in his hand, but hurried with it to the chemist's. I accompanied him, and my wife ran up to Adelaide.

She recounted the scene to me afterward, and I said it should be dramatised as sensational, thereby giving great offense.

She found Addy on her knees, in an agony of weeping, her face buried in her bed, her arms outstretched over it. My calm piece of perfection! What anomalies these women are! Of course my wife threw her arms about her, mingled her tears, and so forth, calming her by degrees. I can just imagine the stately Addy, encircled by my blonde, impulsive, satirical little wife, and the diverse feelings of the pair. But violent emotion sometimes produces confidence, and Addy's ended in a spasmodic relation of some passages of her history connected with Banks.

It appeared that she and her brother were traveling in Italy at the same time that Banks and his mother were, and that they made a casual acquaintance as they met occasionally at different places. They chanced to be all in the same train at the time of a fearful railway collision, which caused the death of many passengers. Poor Addy was frantically calling on a dead brother, when Banks came to her, himself in the terrible agony of the sudden consciousness that a mother, whom he devotedly loved, was also killed. He promised to find her brother if she would but consent to withdraw from the horrible scene, and she, injured herself, fainted at his side. He carried her away, and gave her into the charge of some of the people who had gathered to the spot, while he returned to watch for the dead.

When she recovered consciousness, she found herself in a small railway-station, surrounded by strangers. She tried to rush back to the scene of the accident, but she could not; for, although not seriously injured, she was unable to move. Carriages came from Milan in course of time, and Banks returned to her, and carried her to one, into which he also got. He had previously seen the dead bodies of those they each loved best conveyed toward that city. Even I cannot think without intense pain of that journey; what must they have felt? My impression is that they must have been attracted to each other before this time, and that they therefore found some consolation in a growing mutual attachment; but Addy owned to no such feelings; she only spoke of the tender, respectful, unselfish sympathy of him afflicted like herself.

When they reached an hotel at Milan, he confided her to the care of the landlady, having previously ascertained the address of her parents; then he gave way to his own grief.

Some time elapsed before her parents arrived, during part of which their dead were buried side by side in a cemetery at Milan, and she was delirious. She got better, however, and would leave her bed and go into a room where she could see and thank Banks. It is pretty evident that she must have loved him ere this. How could she have helped it? Still, she did not confess to it.

Her father and mother arrived at last. My wife knew them well, and disliked them particularly. They were narrow-minded, ambitious people, whose one object in life seemed to be to amass money for their only son, and to make a grand match for their daughter. However, Addy only said that Mr. Banks did his best to console them for their loss, and to amuse them while she continued ill.

I take it for granted that the upshot of it all was, that the young people fell over head and ears in love. It was apparent from Addy's disjointed account, that Banks did not leave Milan until she did, and that they must have understood one another. She particularised their last meeting as having taken place in the cemetery where he had buried their beloved dead. She had resolved to see it, and he had taken her thither. My wife gathered with difficulty that a promise or engagement of some sort passed between them over the graves, on which they left emblematic flowers, and that love sprang out of death.

I am not sentimental; but even my imagination grows vivid when calling up the scene—the grief and beauty of Addy; the intensity of feeling of her remarkable lover; the cemetery; the deep blue of the Italian sky.

We could not discover whether Addy's parents were asked, and refused consent, at Milan; but it evolved that they left that place for England, while Banks pursued his travels alone. At any rate, he held the promise sacred; and so, doubtless, did Addy, until she had to endure the persecution of her father and mother. This, at least, was my indignant wife's version of the story, who knew those worthies, and declared that they had forced Addy into a marriage with old Percy about two years after her brother's death.

While these disclosures were being dragged to light at our house, I was nursing Banks' old horse in his stables with him. The potion, or mash, or whatever it might be called, had such wonderful effect—probably because Addy had turned out the recipe—that, to my unspeakable relief, the excellent quadruped revived, and his master's joy and gratitude were so great that I thought he would have kissed us both, as well as the doctor and groom. He certainly did embrace the horse, whose name I afterward discovered to be Milan—the groom having been wont to call him Millum? with a sort of interrogative doubt, as if ill-informed of the orthography.

Banks accompanied me homeward, and was still pouring out his thanks when we met my wife. She greeted us with—

"We were so anxious about the horse that we could not rest. Addy was even more fussy than I; but I see by your faces that her recipe has been successful."

Banks stammered out something, while my wife came between us, and went on addressing him carelessly.

"I think you said that you met Mrs. Percy abroad?"

"Yes."

"Before her marriage?"

"Yes."

A pause; and I break in with, "She was wonderfully handsome."

"Was? Is, you mean. You men never think a woman good-looking after thirty-five," cries my wife.

"I should not dare to say that in your presence," I reply.

Banks smiled.

"It was too bad of them to marry her up to that old Percy," she continued.

"Them? Whom?" asked Banks involuntarily.

"Her parents. They were arbitrary and ambitious; and she was sacrificed, like the rest of us," she replied, bowing to me.

"And he was got rid of, like the rest of *us*," I said, returning the mock salute.

Banks' face was aflame. I never saw any fellow change countenance so often in so short a space of time. At last he said grimly,

"No woman ever marries against her will."

"I am sure I did, and you know what a victim I am," said my wife; and he smiled again. "You will come to dinner," she continued. "I have a new moss, and my husband has made a discovery quite Darwinian."

"Not to-day—quite impossible," he said, hurrying off.

"We shall expect you," she cried, waving her hand.

It was nearly dinner time when we got back, and we found Addy ready. She was calm; but the marks of her late emotion were visible enough. She told us that she had made arrangements to leave us the following morning, and that her maid was packing up. We combated this resolution in vain.

We were late for dinner, and I hurried Addy off, saying to my wife, "It is no good to wait."

"Provoking man!" she exclaimed.

"Who? Which?" I asked.

"Both! all! every man I ever saw!" she replied.

We had begun, when there was a sharp bark and ring, and Banks actually appeared. He had dressed hastily, yet with even more than the French "four pins" of care.

"I could not resist the new moss and the Darwinian discovery," he said, glancing at Addy, and bowing nervously.

She made no movement, but looked at my wife reproachfully. She was, however, resolved to hide all emotion, and began to talk as naturally as she could. By degrees the conversation became sufficiently easy, and my hopes of a quiet dinner—faint at first—were realized. I had not, at that time, heard Addy's story, so I hazarded a remark at dessert which savored more of the hyper-inquisitive than the prudent.

"So odd you two should have met abroad. Were you long acquainted?"

I watched the effects of this venture. Addy's cheeks were crimson, and Banks' eyes flashed as he saw it.

"We met, as people do on the Continent, by chance; and parted by chance also, I suppose," he said nonchalantly. "You remember our last encounter?"

A sudden pain must have struck at his heart, for his face turned deadly pale. He had said more than he intended.

"Yes, I remember," said Addy, with an entreating glance at my wife, who moved to leave the room.

When they were gone Banks fell into a reverie, and I maliciously interrupted it by saying:

"You do not know what an intolerable match-maker my wife is. I am charmed to see her circumvented for once. She was bent on bringing you two together, and you hate one another beforehand. It surprises me, for Addy is generally much beloved, and you are not altogether odious."

"Did she—did Adelaide—did Mrs. Percy say she hated me?" he asked impetuously.

"Not in so many words; but her manner implies it much as your's does."

He smiled sadly, and said his manner was terribly awkward.

Addy played and sang well—divinely, my wife said; who uses exaggerated, terms, like the rest of her sex—so when we were again assembled we asked her for some music. She consented at once, as she always does, for she is neither nervous nor silly. I know I am terribly provoking, as my wife says; but I can no more help it than another man can help being amiable, so when Addy asked me what I should like, I said:

"Moore's melodies are all the fashion again, Banks, and I rejoice, for I like the old songs. Mrs. Percy sings them so well. Let us have the one with the doubtful simile of the sunflower, Addy. You know which I mean. 'The heart that has truly loved never forgets;' though I have watched a hundred sunflowers, and never yet seen one 'turn to her god when he sets.'"

"Nor have I," said Banks, watching Addy's tremulous fingers as they tried to strike the first chords.

She sang the desired song with difficulty, but perfect sweetness and expression. Toward the end her voice trembled slightly, but she commanded it.

"Did you ever hear her sing before?" I asked of Banks.

"Never," he replied, moving his chair so that we could not see his face.

Addy had what is called a sympathetic voice, and I was sure that it had reached his heart. When she ended, and was about to rise, my wife detained her at the piano.

"Why do poets invent fables to rouse our feelings?" said Banks hoarsely. "You sing a song in which you cannot believe."

"I am not answerable for my songs; yet I believe in this one, in spite of the sunflower," said Addy, half sadly, half lightly, beginning another at our request.

That strain again; it had a dying fall,

we all said, or implied, by our significant silence, as she sang song after song.

Banks spoke never a word; but he quietly drew nearer and nearer the piano, until he was close to Addy. Was she conscious of the proximity? She gave no sign save in the *tremolo* of that *voce simpatico;* and that might have been according to the modern school of singing, which is a perpetual roulade.

However, it was very sweet and touching, and when at length the clock struck one sharp reproachful stroke, reminding us that the small hours had begun, we all started in amazement. Banks rose hastily to wish us good-night. He took Addy's offered hand and held it a moment, gazing into her pathetic face. There were tears in her eyes, and, I believe, moisture in his.

"Thank you. Music was invented to unman us," he said, and was gone.

To our surprise and annoyance Addy kept to her resolution, and we accompanied her to the station the next morning. She was profuse in her gratitude to us, but she persisted in repeating. "It is best, it is best." We put her into a first-class carriage, in which was no other passenger, at her particular request, for she said she wished to be alone. We were making our last adieus through the window, and my wife was extracting a promise of return, when I saw Banks running up the platform. I nudged my wife, who mastered the occasion intuitively. I went to meet him, saying, in the elegant language of the period, "Where are you off to?"

"I am going abroad—I will write," he answered.

"Just in time; jump in here!" I exclaimed, pushing my wife aside, and opening the door of Addy's compartment.

He obeyed, not perceiving the lady.

"Take care of her, Mr. Banks. So glad you have an escort, Addy!" cried my wife, as the train steamed off instantly.

Addy looked after us with a pale, troubled, reproachful face; but there was no redress either for her or Banks.

"Suppose they leap out of the windows," suggested my wife. "A sentimental lover's leap!"

"The railway will be the best match-maker," said I.

And so it proved. A letter arrived by the next post from Addy, entreating us to go to her—for—she was engaged to Mr. Banks. She was so happy, and it was all due to us. The following day Banks reappeared. He actually called my wife "My dear" when he announced the fact that he was not going abroad after all, but—but—was going to be married instead.

"Then we shall not only know Banks but Mrs. Banks!" said I.

And so "the curtain falls."—*Tinsley's Magazine.*

LOUIS NAPOLEON PAINTED BY A CONTEMPORARY.—We talked of Louis Napoleon.

"A single day," said she, "changed his character. Until the death of his elder brother he was mild, unambitious, impressionable, affectionate, delighting in country pursuits, in nature, in art, and in literature. He frequently said to me, not when he was a child, but at the age of nineteen and twenty, 'What a blessing that I have two before me in the succession—the Duc de Reichstadt and my brother, so that I can be happy in my own way, instead of being, as the head of our house must be, the slave of a mission.'

"From the day of his brother's death he was a different man. I can compare his feelings as to his mission only to those which urged our first apostles and martyrs."

"What," I asked, "is the sense in which he understands his mission?"

"It is a devotion," she answered, "first to the Napoleonic dynasty, and then to France. It is not personal ambition. He has always said, and I believe sincerely, that if there were any better hands to which he could transmit that duty he would do so with delight.

"His duty to his dynasty is to perpetuate it. His duty to France is to give her influence abroad and prosperity at home."

"And also," I asked, "extension of territory?"

"Not now," she answered, "I will not say what may have been his wishes before the birth of his son, but what I have called devotion to his dynasty, is rather worship of his son. One of his besetting fears is the revival of an European coalition, not so much against France as against the Buonapartes, and the renewal of the proscription of the family."

"I have been told," I said, "that he leans towards constitutionalism as more favorable to hereditary succession than despotism."

"I believe," she answered, "that to be true, and that it is the explanation of his recent liberalism. He hates, without doubt, opposition; he hates restraint; but if he thinks that submitting to opposition will promote his great object, the perpetuation of his dynasty, he will do so.

He would sacrifice to that object, Europe, France, his dearest friends, and even himself.

One of his qualities—and it is a valuable one, is his willingness to adjourn, to change, or even to give up his means, however dear they may be to him, if any safer or better occur to him."

"Another is the readiness with which he confesses his mistakes. His last confession," I said, "was perhaps too full and too frank."

"So I think," said Mme. R., "but by making it he enjoyed another pleasure, that of astonishing. He delights in *Pimprêve*, in making Europe and France, and above all, his own Ministers, stare. When it is necessary to act, he does not consult his friends, still less his Ministers, and perhaps he is right, for they would give him only bad advice; he does not conscientiously think the matter over, weigh the opposing reasons, strike the balance and act. He takes his cigar, gives loose to his ideas, lets them follow one another without exercising over them his will, till at last something pleases his imagination, he seizes it, and thinks himself inspired. Sometimes the inspiration is good, as it was when he released Abd el Kader; sometimes it is very bad, as it was when he chose the same time for opening the discussion of the address, and revealing the state of our finances."

"C.," I said, "treats his phlegm as his greatest quality, *qu'il ne s'étonne de rien.*"

"Did C.," she answered, "ever describe to you his fits of passion?"

"No," I said.

"Probably," she answered, "he never perceived them. His powers of self-command are really marvelous. I have known him after a conversation in which he betrayed no anger, break his own furniture in his rage. The first sign of rage in him is a swelling of his nostrils, like those of an excited horse. Then his eyes become bright and his lips quiver. His long moustache is intended to conceal his mouth, and he has disciplined his eyes. When I first saw him in 1848 I asked him what was the matter with his eyes. 'Nothing,' he said. A day or two after I saw him again. They had still an odd appearance. At last I found that he had been accustoming himself to keep his eyelids closed, and to throw into his eyes a vacant, dreamy expression.

I cannot better describe the change that came over him after his brother's death than by saying that he tore his heart out of his bosom, and surrendered himself to his head. —*The Cornhill Magazine.*

THE COLOR OF THE OCEAN.—Looked properly down upon, there are portions of the ocean to which we should hardly ascribe a trace of blue; at the most a hint of indigo reaches the eye. The water, indeed, is practically black, and this is an indication both of its depth and its freedom from mechanically suspended matter. In small thicknesses water is sensibly transparent to all kinds of light; but as the thickness increases, the rays of low refrangibility are first absorbed, and after them the other rays. Where, therefore, the water is very deep and very pure, all the colors are absorbed, and such water ought to appear black, as no light is sent from its interior to the eye. The approximation of the Atlantic Ocean to this condition is an indication of its extreme purity.

Throw a white pebble into such water; as it sinks it becomes greener and greener, and, before it disappears, it reaches a vivid blue green. Break such a pebble into fragments, each of these will behave like the unbroken mass; grind the pebble to powder, every particle will yield its modicum of green; and if the particles be so fine as to remain suspended in the water, the scattered light will be a uniform green. Hence the greenness of shoal water. You go to bed with the black Atlantic around you. You rise in the morning and find it a vivid green; and you correctly infer that you are crossing the Bank of Newfoundland. Such water is found charged with fine matter in a state of mechanical suspension. The light from the bottom may sometimes come into play, but it is not necessary. A storm can render the water muddy by rendering the particles too numerous and gross. Such a case occurred toward the close of my visit to Niagara. There had been rain and storm in the upper-lake regions, and the quantity of suspended matter brought down quite extinguished the fascinating green of the Horseshoe.

Nothing can be more superb than the green of the Atlantic waves when the circumstances are favorable to the exhibition of the color. As long as a wave remains unbroken no color appears, but when the foam just doubles over the crest like an Alpine snow-cornice, under the cornice we often see a display of the most exquisite green. It is metallic in its brilliancy. But the foam is necessary to its production. The foam is first illuminated, and it scatters the light in all directions; the light which passes through the higher portion of the wave alone reaches the eye, and gives to that portion its matchless color. The fashioning of the wave, producing as it does, a series of longitudinal protuberances and furrows which act like cylindrical lenses, introduces variations in the intensity of the light, and materially enhances its beauty.—*Prof. Tyndall in Macmillan's Magazine.*

A JEWISH CEREMONY.—It is from the *Jewish World* that we learn the particulars of a very curious ceremony called "The Burying of the Law," which lately took place in the Spanish synagogue of Jerusalem. It happens once every eight or ten years, and is accompanied by the following circumstances: There is in the "Talmud Torah" synagogue a subterranean cave, wherein every old leaf torn out from any holy book, every old worn-out Bible, Gemara, and phylactery is deposited by all the Jewish inhabitants of Jerusalem of every Minhag. After eight or ten years, when the cave is full, these old papers and books are brought out and made up into bales. This done, the Jews begin to assemble at a given time in the afternoon. A *kosher*, or faultless, Sepher Torah, richly ornamented and jeweled, is brought by the Cachum Bashi, and carried by him, and the other in rabbis turn, at the head of the procession; he is followed by the other rabbis; next come the bales, about seventy or eighty in number, each carried by a Jew; and then the rest of the people. The procession slowly winds its way out of the Zion gate for some distance along the city wall, and then descends into the valley of Jehoshaphat, where the burial-ground is situated. Here is a very deep well, where the bales are finally thrown, amid the singing of the joyous crowd.—*Once a Week.*

THE ALTITUDE AT WHICH MEN CAN LIVE.—There has been a great deal of discussion as to the altitude at which human beings can exist, and Mr. Glaisher himself can tell us as much about it as anybody. In July, 1862, he and Mr. Coxwell ascended in a balloon to the enormous elevation of 37,000 feet. "Previous to the start, Mr. Glaisher's pulse stood at seventy-six beats a minute; Coxwell's, at seventy-four. At 17,000 feet, the pulse of the former was at eighty-four; that of the latter, at 160. At 19,000 feet Glaisher's hands and lips were quite blue, but not his face. At 21,000 feet, he heard his heart beating, and his breathing became oppressed; at 29,000, he became senseless;" notwithstanding which the aeronaut, in the interests of science, went up another 8,000 feet, till he could no longer use his hands, and had to pull the strings of the valve with his teeth. Ærostats, who have to make no exertions, have, of course, a great advantage over members of the Alpine Club, and those who trust their legs; even at 13,000 feet these climbers feel very uncomfortable, more so in the Alps, it seems, than elsewhere. At the monastery of St. Bernard, 8,117 feet high, the monks become asthmatic, and are compelled frequently to descend into the Valley of the Rhone for—anything but "a breath of fresh air," and at the end of ten years' service are obliged to give up their high living, and come down to the usual level. At the same time, in South America, there are towns (such as Potosi) placed as high as the top of Mont Blanc, the inhabitants of which feel no inconvenience. The highest inhabited spot in the world is, however, the Buddhist cloister of Hanle, in Tibet, where twenty-one priests live at an altitude of 16,500 feet. The Brothers Segisgintweit, when they explored the glaciers of the Ibi-Gamin in the same country, encamped at 21,000 feet, the highest altitude at which a European ever passed the night. Even at the top of Mont Blanc, Prof. Tyndall's guides found it very unpleasant to do this, though the Professor himself did not confess to feeling so bad as they. The highest mountain in the world is Mount Everest (Himalaya,) 29,008 feet, and the condor has been seen "winging the blue air" 500 feet higher. The air, by the by, is not "blue," or else, as De Saussure pointed out, "the distant mountains, which are covered with snow, would appear blue also;" its apparent color being due to the reflection of light. What light can do, and does, is marvellous; and not the least is its power of attraction to humanity.—*Chambers's Journal.*

"BEAU NASH."—"Beau Nash" was the son of a gentleman of Swansea, in which town Richard was born, on the 18th of October, 1674. He was sent to school at Carmarthen, from which sombre county town he was removed to Jesus College, Oxford. There he was distinguished for idleness and dissipation, for a love of fine clothes, and a premature capacity for intrigue. Hearing that the boy had engaged himself to be married before he was seventeen, the father removed Dick's name from the college books and carried him back to Wales. The next paternal effort for the provision of the young gentleman was, in the language of the day, "the purchase of a pair of colors." But the young ensign could not tolerate restraint. He had no appetite for drill, no respect for duty. He wished to dress as he liked, to do as he liked, in all respects to be his own master. So young Nash soon made his last appearance on parade, and betook himself to a new profession. The Inns of Court had more attraction for him than the barracks. He became a student of the Temple, and lived upon his wits. The old advice to "dress above your income, and to live below it" was scrupulously observed by Nash. While dining from a plate of cold meat from a cook-shop, he wore the finest clothes he could buy. He was born with few personal attractions. He had neither a good face nor a good figure. But he had elegant manners and an insinuating address; and he contrived to make many so-called friends, among whom perhaps were some dupes. Little by little his reputation, as a man of cultivated taste and fine discernment in ceremonial usages spread among his brother Templars. And when it was resolved by the Middle Temple, of which he was a member, to give an entertainment to William III. on his accession, young Nash was appointed Master of the Ceremonies. He did his work so well that the King desired to knight him. But with a sagacious hint to His Majesty, that if he were to be a knight at all he would wish to be a poor knight at Windsor, as the preferment would carry some pay with it, Nash respectfully declined the honor.

But the affair gave him some notoriety, and by increasing the numbers of his acquaintance increased the numbers of his dupes. As long as he could get money, he did not care how he got it. He was a gambler by profession, with a cross of the mountebank. On one occasion he made fifty pounds by doing penance in a blanket at the great door of York Minster, while people were coming out of church; and he pocketed a still larger amount by riding naked on a cow through a country village. Exceptional exploits, however, of this discreditable kind could not maintain his expenditure. It was the undercurrent of successful gambling that preserved the fountain from running dry. He knew whom to play with, and he played warily and well. London was at that time, it is said, the only fitting arena for such performances. The English baths were frequented mainly by valetudinarians, who went thither to get rid of what worthy Dr. Cheyne described as "the English malady—the vapors." But, on a fortunate day at the beginning of the eighteenth century, as I have before narrated, Queen Anne, having the meagrims, made a journey to Bath for the benefit of her health. So the long-neglected city, with all its beautiful environments, rose suddenly into fashion. "People of distinction" made their way to a place which majesty had consented to honor; and the seekers of pleasure soon outnumbered the seekers of health.

No long time passed before Mr. Richard Nash,

impression on the visitors, which afterward extended itself to the more permanent inhabitants, and he became Master of the Ceremonies in consequence, it would appear, to a Capt. Webster, who was one of the noted gamblers of the day.

Nash was now in his element. His genius had full scope for development. He systematized and organized the amusements of the place. He evolved order out of chaos, and was soon recognized as a necessity. He saw clearly that to accomplish the result at which he aimed, it was necessary that he should assume paramount authority. He had the majority, including all the best people with him, and ere long they called him King of Bath.—*The Cornhill Magazine.*

THE WILD HUNTSMAN.—The Wild Huntsman, whose appearance with a pack of skeleton hounds is regarded as an evil omen by the bullet-founders in Der Freischütz, is a personage very familiar to the peasants of Hesse. In the olden time it was believed he made a point, towards the end of every autumn, of descending, after vespers, from the Vogelsberg into the valley below, his path being always denoted by a fiery streak along the sky, and his passage being accompanied by a mingled sound of creaking wheels, cracked whips, and clanging trumpets, with which was mingled a combination of the different voices proper to every variety of man, bird, and beast. The neighboring forest at the same time became so thoroughly lighted that every leaf was visible. Like ordinary mortals, the Wild Huntsman was, however, subject to accidents. Once, as he was riding along with more than usual speed, one of the wheels came off his chariot and fell to the ground with a noise like a clap of thunder.

The Wild Huntsman is less frequently seen than heard. One night a peasant, coming to a cross-road on his way home, heard the neighing of a horse, sometimes behind, sometimes before him. Presently he heard likewise the noise of an approaching carriage, but though there was a bright moonlight, nothing was to be seen. At last the whole invisible train rushed past him with such a "close shave," that, for the moment, he fancied himself run over. Fortunately, he had suffered no injury, beyond a terrible fright, and when, on reaching home, he told the story to his grandfather, he was somewhat mortified to perceive that he had caused no sensation.

"Ah," said the good old man, "no doubt you have met the Wild Huntsman; that's just his way." Familiarity had bred contempt.

Shepherds, it has been observed, have sharper eyes for spectres than any other class of the community. On the eve of one Advent Sunday, in the vicinity of the Vogelsberg, an old shepherd was sleeping in his hut, when a terrific storm arose, and a voice came thundering from the neighboring forest, "Shepherd, shepherd, show me the way." Opening his door, the shepherd perceived a man with an enormous dog walking up and down the skirts of the forest.

"Whence do you come?" he asked.

"From up yonder," was the reply. "Where does this lead?"

"To the Watterans."

The conversation would probably have proceeded further, had not the shepherd's dog crept between his master's legs, and uttered a dismal howl. Knowing that where ghosts are concerned dogs are sharper even than shepherds, the old man re-entered his hut, and closed the door. But he still heard the call, "Shepherd, shepherd!" till it faded away in the distance.

It is a curious fact that the Wild Huntsman is associated in the minds of the Hessian peasants with the Assyrian monarch, Nimrod. This "mighty hunter," whom we have always been taught to regard as a miracle of impiety and presumption, was, according to the Hessian legend, living upon his death-bed, when he was accosted by the Deity, who asked him whether he would go to heaven or continue his favorite pursuit of hunting. Without hesitation, he chose the latter alternative, and he and his companions were doomed to a perpetual hunt, without repose.—*All the Year Round.*

AEROLITES.—The minerals called aërolites proceed from the explosion of a bolide, which sometimes takes place with a noise equal to the report of "a heavy piece of artillery," or even "the explosion of a mine." The weight of these is sometimes no joke: one, six, or seven yards in diameter, fell in the Island of Lanais-Nawai in the beginning of this century; and another in 1868, on the same island. Fourteen deaths have taken place in consequence of these little strangers. One of two, the largest known, fell at Juvénas, in the Ardèche, in 1821, and weighed 212 pounds: another, which was in the Paris Exhibition of 1867, fell in Chili, and weighed 240 pounds; and the miners who brought it home on their mules took it for silver. The Caille aërolite in the Maritime Alps, now in the Paris Museum, was used as a seat in a church porch, and weighed twelve and a half hundredweight. But the most colossal of all is the aërolite brought back from the Mexican campaign, which is no less than fifteen and a half hundredweight. It had from time immemorial been lying where it fell. Its shape is that of a pyramid, and it is "a very fair specimen," says M. Flammarion, "of the world that sent it to us." But the most interesting point of the matter he leaves unanswered—namely: "From what world did it come?" Many analyses have been made of these wonderful visitors, but they have not added a single substance to the globe which it did not possess before. Yet, what a history must a bolide have to tell if it could but speak! How infinitely more interesting is it than any stone or piece of metal brought from the antipodes or "utmost Ind!" for people have been there, but no one has ever been to that world which gives us the bolide, nor can we even guess what sort of world it is.—*Chambers's Journal.*

MR. MACREADY.—Although belonging to the Kemble school, Mr. Macready's talents were something akin to those of Kean. But his first positive successes were not achieved in the loftier walks of the profession. The "hit" he made in his first season was not in *Orestes*, nor in *Othello*, nor as *Iago*; his *Beverley* was a complete failure, but his *Gambia* in "The Slave" was a triumph. He created the character, and no one has ever equaled him in it. So, in his second season, his *Hotspur* was of small account, but his *Rob Roy* took the town by storm. Yet he fell into secondary characters, and occasionally acted in afterpieces. If he played *Hamlet* for his benefit, the character was reassumed by Charles Kemble, as belonging to him! and even *Prospero* fell to Macready only when Young was ill. Nevertheless, Macready bided his time, and never missed an opportunity. Edmund Kean declined to act *Virginius*, which Sheridan Knowles had written for him. That popular tragedy was, accordingly, produced in Glasgow, with John Cooper for the hero. Macready adopted it, and throughout his subsequent career, he probably never so stirred the heart-pulses of an audience as in that slightly melo dramatic part. Miss Foote was the *Virginia*.

From that time till his retirement in 1851, Mr. Macready grew in favor as he grew in ability, and he was not only an accomplished actor, he was a true friend of the drama. In his management of Drury Lane and Covent Garden he tried to make the stage a "school of virtue," according to the words in the patent; but the proprietors preferred high rents, to their tenant, and went for a time without any rent at all. Mr. Macready's taste in mounting his plays, as it is called, was consummate. What was a rare excellence in him was carried to excess by Mr. Charles Kean, who painted the lily. To the last, Macready improved, and was never greater than when he took leave of the stage, in *Macbeth*. He was less careful of costume than he was of his acting in it. In *Romeo*, for Mr. Macready played that part, he looked very like a rope-dancer, but there was something terrific in his dying scenes. This may be said especially of those where death was by poison. One could not see him die in "Hamlet" or "King John" without holding breath for a time, so appalling was the representation to those who saw it for the first time.

In management, he was called a martinet by those who were too lazy to work, as he did, for perfection; but he occasionally roughly suppressed the impulses of fellow-actors if they interfered with his own efforts. He kept too proudly aloof from those fellows, but he did not show his contempt so coarsely as Mrs. Fanny Kemble expressed hers, in her *Diary*, for the stage and contemporary players. On making his final bow, no sympathizing comrades surrounded him; but at the banquet given in his honor, he bade his real farewell to troops of friends, with a heart as full as his glass.

Finally, it may be said of him, that he was a link between two epochs. He acted with men who had played with Garrick and Macklin; and he himself, in the course of his career, performed with John Kemble, Mrs. Siddons, (*Hamlet* to her *Lady Randolph*,) Master Betty, Edmund Kean, and also with many actors who yet remain on the stage. He was the last of the great actors, yet he was not of the very greatest. Betterton, Garrick, Kemble, Kean, stand together on the highest eminence; but Young and Macready occupy the next height; and it does not seem likely that they will be joined during the present generation by a brother of equal quality.—*The Athenæum.*

## PERSONAL NOTES.

Rev. Dr. Punchon is on his way back to England.

Senator Sumner is reported to be having four portraits painted.

Joaquin Miller says he is to marry soon an English lady of large fortune.

The New-Haven girl who cut off her luxuriant head of hair lives to regret it.

Day, the stroke of last year's crew, takes Cogswell's place in the Yale University crew.

Mr. N. Maybery, of Turner, Me., is the proud possessor of a cane once carried by Ben. Franklin.

Hon. Stephen Salisbury has returned to Worcester, Mass., and is rapidly recovering from his recent injuries.

Ex-Gov. Jewell, of Connecticut, who has been in Detroit, Mich., several days, left there on Thursday for the West.

Deacon Charles Stoddard, of Boston, bequeathed $5,000 to the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions.

Rev. Dr. Bellows, of this City, is to preside at the Unitarian festival dinner in the Boston Music Hall on the 29th inst.

Ignatius Donnelly is looking to the Patrons of Husbandry to make him Governor of Minnesota next Fall.

Gen. John P. Hawkins, brother-in-law of the late Gen. Canby, is collecting materials for a biography of that lamented officer.

A down-east paper asserts that when Mrs. Scott-Siddons frowns its object feels as must a Congressman who has pocketed his back pay.

Mr. E. F. Maynard, observer at the Signal-station in Cincinnati, is missing, and they are discussing the probabilities respecting him.

Hon. Hiester Clymer has sailed for Europe called thither by the alarming illness of his brother, Wm. B. Clymer, at Florence, Italy.

Senator Bayard, of Delaware, will deliver the annual address before the literary society of the University of Virginia on the 2d of June.

Democratic Congressman John B. Storm, of Pennsylvania, is reported to be putting his $5,000 back pay into repairs of his dwelling-house.

Gov. Carpenter, of Iowa, has accepted an invitation to deliver a lecture before the Patrons of Husbandry, in Des Moines, on the 13th of June.

The father of Gen. John Eaton, of the National Commission of Education, died suddenly, while sitting in a chair in Fulton, N. H., on Monday last.

A Seneca Falls clergyman is said to have called at a millinery-store on opening day "in order to anticipate what he should see on the following Sunday."

Institutions for the insane throughout the country are frequent debtors to the thoughtful and liberal generosity of Mr. John S. Pierson, of this City.

Dr. C. H. Fowler has accepted the Presidency of the Illinois State Temperance Union, to which he was elected by the convention in February last.

Mr. J. E. Littlefield has been at the head of a school for girls in Bangor, Me., for forty years, and recently he was given a purse of $3,000 by his former pupils.

The Episcopal Bishop in San Francisco has excited much feeling by refusing to take part with the other clergymen of the city in the funeral services over the body of Gen. Canby.

Prof. Goldwin Smith gave a dinner to about fifty of the leading students at Cornell University on Thursday evening, and after the eating there was much said in praise of athletic sports.

John B. Adams, a conductor on the Boston and Albany Railroad, estimates that he has traveled over 2,000,000 miles during the past thirty-two years. This is equivalent to eighty times around the globe.

Rev. J. F. W. Ware is to preach the annual sermon before the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Boston on the 2d of June, owing to the illness of Mr. Wm. Everett, who was first selected.

An Iowa man attempted to draw the cork of a beer-bottle with his teeth. He succeeded, but, as the cork flew into his throat and choked him, his ingenuity was worse than wasted, so far as he was concerned.

A Peoria girl, on her marriage, sold her piano and bought a sewing-machine, and materials enough to make full suits for her husband and herself, and straightway went to work making them up. Her sisters are already all married.

An officer in the Second United States Cavalry has sent $10 towards a fund for the erection of a monument to Robert E. Lee, saying that he served under him previous to the war, and to-day reveres his memory as a friend, a gentleman, and a soldier.

Judge Waller R. Staples, whom the Richmond *Whig* declares to be intellectually one of the first men in Virginia, and perhaps unequaled as an orator, declines to be a candidate for the Democratic, or Conservative, nomination for Governor of that State.

Senator Frelinghuysen and Congressman John Hill, of New-Jersey, have not taken their back pay, and, the Trenton *Gazette* says, they do not intend to. The Democratic members from the State will now be heard from, if they choose to speak.

Mrs. Laura Fair has obtained judgment in San Francisco against the owners of the hall closed against her, for the sum she paid for the use of it, together with her printing and posting bills, amounting altogether to $96, beside costs of suit. Nothing was allowed her for carriage hire or for the money she refunded to purchasers of tickets.

Apparently a most generous but very undesirable sort of a friend is one Mr. Poole, of St. Louis, has in a country town of Missouri. The other day he sent him an ugly, poisonous little lizard, with the caution that great care in handling him was needed, as he would dart forward and hit a man in the face at a distance of nine feet. In the same letter he promised to send two young wolves and some rattlesnakes as soon as he could get them.

Mr. W. J. Kountz announces that he is a candidate for the Republican nomination for Congress in the Twenty-third District of Pennsylvania. He pledges himself to advocate retrenchment and reform, the repeal of the Salary-increase bill, the improvement of the Western rivers, the enactment of a fair protective tariff, and of a free banking law, and, lastly, "not to set up any little jobs" for himself.

A quiet but earnest effort is represented to be making to bring out Hon. W. S. Groesbeck as the Democratic candidate for Governor of Ohio. The movement originated in Cincinnati, and a rival opponent, who complains that Mr. Groesbeck lives in a different atmosphere from the masses who would be called upon to support him, makes a vigorous blast in favor of Gen. Thomas Ewing.

The victim of the recent murder in Nashua, N. H., (the only one, by the way, ever committed in that city,) was the son of a Southerner, who cast him off because he entered the Union Army during the war. He was sober, industrious, and of good report in Nashua, where he has lately been employed as a carriage painter. Cast down by recent letters received from home, which showed no relenting on his father's part, he took to drinking, fell into bad company, and speedily was murdered in a moment of passion by a man much worse than he.

## LOBSTERS.

The lobster has been called the "Knight in Armor," a very appropriate name, and one which brings to mind the idea that a coat of mail is an imitation of a lobster's shell, both serving a similar end, for which they were designed. Indeed, this inference has been made use of as an example to illustrate the argument of design. Painters of all ages have tried their skill in depicting the lobster, and in doing so some have lost sight of the fact that its natural color is a deep bluish black, which is changed to a bright scarlet when boiled or heated, and have painted on canvas their idea of a live lobster in the brilliant hues of this latter color.

"And, like a lobster boil'd, the morn
From black to red began to turn,"

remarks the poet Butler when *Hudibras* began to rub his dreowy eyes; but many persons still imagine that red is the natural color. This idea, however, is confined generally to persons living in the interior, away from the sea-shore, and where they only see the lobsters that have been boiled before they were brought there. Why this change of color takes place is a mystery which has never been satisfactorily explained, although many theories have been advanced concerning it.

Lobsters fear thunder, more so even than timid men and women, and will cast their claws when they hear a loud clap, or when a gun is fired. In times gone by it is related that captains of certain vessels took advantage of this fact to extort black-mail from the poor fishermen, by threatening to fire a cannon over their fishing grounds, which would have the effect of causing the lobsters to shake off their claws, rendering them almost worthless; and to prevent this the fishermen usually acceded to the demands of the aggressors. In our own neighborhood it is the opinion of many that the blasting operations at Hell Gate will entirely drive away the large quantities of lobsters that now congregate there.

Along the rocky sea-coasts lobsters abound, and as their appearance is a matter of general knowledge a description of the species is unnecessary. They are hatched from eggs, which are deposited in the sand, the breeding time being during the Spring and Summer months. They are extremely prolific, and it is on record that no less than 12,000 eggs have been counted in a single female; these eggs are carried attached to finger-like projections on the lower surface of the tail. The unimpregnated eggs—the so-called "berries" or "coral" that enrich our lobster-salad—are of a fine red color, and epicures consider them a great delicacy. The sex of a lobster is easily determined, yet it is surprising to see the fishermen tell it at a glance.

Once a year, usually in the Spring, lobsters go through a very peculiar operation, in which they cast off their armor, or shell, and then reproduce for themselves a new shell or crust, between the processes of which they increase in size one-fifth over their former dimensions. This process, by which the periodical shedding and renewal of the shell are effected, has received a great deal of attention from naturalists, and has been investigated very thoroughly. The following description from the investigations of Reaumur will give a good idea of how the operation is accomplished. The tendency in the body and in the limbs to expand during growth is restrained by the limited dimensions of the shell, which resists the efforts to enlarge its diameter. But this force of expansion goes on increasing till at length it is productive of much uneasiness to the animal, which is in consequence prompted to make a violent effort to relieve itself; by this means it generally succeeds in bursting the shell, and then by dint of repeated struggles extricates its body and its limbs. The lobster first withdraws its claws, and then its feet, as if it were pulling them out of a pair of boots; the head next throws off its case, together with its antennæ, and the two eyes are disengaged from their horny pedicles. In this operation, not only the complex apparatus of the jaws, but even the horny cuticle and teeth of the stomach, are all cast off along with the shell; and, last of all, the tail is extracted. But the whole process is not accomplished without long-continued efforts. Sometimes the legs are lacerated or torn off in the attempt to withdraw them from the shell, and in the younger crustacea the effort is not unfrequently fatal. Even when successfully accomplished, it leaves the animal in a most languid state; the limbs, being soft and pliant, are scarcely able to drag the body along. For some time before the old shell is cast off, preparations had been making for forming a new one. The membrane which lined the shell had been acquiring greater density, and had already collected a quantity of liquid materials proper for the consolidation of the new shell. These materials are mixed with a large proportion of coloring matter of a bright scarlet hue, giving it the appearance of red blood. As soon as the shell is cast off, this membrane, by the pressure from within, is suddenly expanded, and by the rapid growth of the soft parts soon acquires a much larger size than the former shell. Then the process of hardening the calcareous ingredient commences, and is rapidly completed, while an abundant supply of fresh matter is added, to increase the strength of the solid walls which are thus constructing for the support of the animal. A provision appears to be made in the interior of the animal for the supply of the large quantity of calcareous matter required for the construction of the shell at the proper time. A magazine of carbonate of lime is collected previous to each change of shell, in the form of two round masses, one on each side of the stomach. The operation of casting the shell occupies about three days, during which time the creature keeps itself in some secure nook among the rocks, out of the reach of its enemies. The lobster is helpless until the new shell is formed, and it has been frequently noticed that in the meantime a hard-shell lobster watches over the shedder one, to prevent the fish from attacking it.

The power of reproduction is also possessed by lobsters to a great degree. When they lose a claw or leg, the missing member is replaced in a short time by a new claw, which sprouts from the stump of the old one. An injured limb is at once broken off at a joint, or at its junction with the body, and it is not long before a new growth commences. The first sign of the new limb is a slight protuberance, which soon develops into a perfect claw, and continues to increase in size, though rather slowly. It usually does not attain the same size as the old claw, which accounts for the inequality in the size of lobsters' claws, so frequently noticed; but in course of time, and as the result of the periodical moltings, this disparity gradually disappears. These creatures are of such a combative nature, and fight so furiously when excited or aroused, that they often lose a leg or claw; and if it were not for this power of replacing the lost or injured member, they would soon die, either from lack of food or the attacks of their enemies.

In many countries lobster fishing is carried on to a great extent, giving employment to hundreds of people. The common mode of catching lobsters is in pots, creels, or traps baited with any kind of fish or animal matter, and sometimes by the aid of nets. In addition to the bait, oyster-shells and other light objects are generally placed in the traps to attract the lobsters, as they are very voracious. The "lobster-pot" is the trap mostly used, and is made in a variety of ways in the different countries where it is employed. Some are made of wicker-work in the shape of a wire mouse-trap, so that when a lobster gets in it cannot return by the way it entered; others consist of a box with a hole in the side near the top, having a network extending outward, and serving as a pathway to the hole into which the lobster goes for the bait, and falls into the box, where it is helpless. These are lowered into the sea by a rope, which is attached to a buoy to mark the place where they have been sunk. The fishermen raise them at intervals of several hours, and the lobsters which have been caught are transferred to the boats. The number caught at each haul varies; sometimes it is a dozen or more, while at others, perhaps, not even one. Soft-shell lobsters are frequently caught, and as they are considered excellent bait for fishing purposes, always sell at a good price. It is customary for the fishermen on our coast to thrust a wooden plug into the joint of the pincer-claw, which keeps the claw shut, and prevents the lobsters from injuring each other. In England this practice is forbidden by an act of Parliament, and in that country they are always tied together with a wire string knotted in a peculiar way. Plugging is also forbidden in Massachusetts, and lobsters are always boiled for market on the fishing ground.

Lobsters are good all the year round, but they are considered in the best condition from April to October. No part of the flesh is poisonous, although the cartilaginous stomach, or "lady," is so tough that it is not eaten, and is thought by many to be poisonous because it is not customary to eat it; the bluish vein running along the back and tail is also discarded. They do not agree with every person, and often cause sickness, especially if they are slightly stale. Always buy live lobsters, for lobsters that die after being removed from the water and are then boiled are not good, the flesh being soft and watery. A lobster that is lively and active will, in nearly every case, be found full of good solid meat when boiled. Some persons contend that the water should be boiling-hot, then the lobsters will die immediately after they are put in, while others believe that they suffer less by being put in cold water, for as soon as the water gets heated to the boiling point they are dead, and their flesh is firm. Twenty minutes is sufficient to boil them. Before boiling them it is a very good plan to hang the lobsters up by the claws, and then cut a slit under the tail that the watery substance may run out.

It is necessary that the lobsters should be boiled before they are prepared into the many dishes which the cuisinier makes of them. They are cooked in a dozen different ways; the flesh is boiled, fried, scalloped, or made into soup, sauce, salad, croquettes, pies and pastry. Fishermen make a very nice dish of shedder lobsters by frying them, having previously removed the shell. The dish is much more delicate than fried soft crabs, and it is a wonder that they have not been introduced into the restaurants and hotels. Lobsters are also pickled and done up in cans, a process which is very extensively carried on along the New-England coast. At Bangor, Me., there are several large establishments in which more than 300 girls are employed in this manner. A company from Maine have recently established a factory in Nova Scotia for "canning" lobsters. On the ground floor are brick furnaces with large copper boilers, partially filled with salt water, kept boiling hot, into which the lobsters are plunged as they are received from the fishermen, who get from one to two dollars per hundred weight for them. When they are sufficiently boiled the covers of the boilers are raised by a simple mechanism and the lobsters are taken out and put on long tables covered with zinc. The women and girls employed in the factory then break the shells, take out the flesh of the tail and large claws, the only parts used for canning, and fill the cans, which are placed in shallow boilers to expel the air before they are hermetically sealed. The cans are next taken to the second floor of the building, labelled, and packed in boxes holding four dozen cans; these sell at four dollars per box, but when they are retailed by the can they bring as much as fifty and sixty cents each. The number boiled in a day varies from one to three thousand, according to the success of the fishermen who catch them. A large trade in canned lobsters has sprung up within the past few years, which is constantly increasing, and promises to become not only very extensive but also very profitable. They are exported in this form to Great Britain, France, Germany, and other European countries, to Central and South America, and also to Australia.

In England lobsters are a source of great revenue. The London markets are supplied chiefly from the English Coast, the Eastern Coast of Scotland, and Norway. In the vicinity of Montrose they are caught in great quantities, and many thousands are annually brought to London. The agents of the London lobster companies traverse the north and east coasts of Scotland and purchase the lobsters from the fishermen at an average price of four pence a piece. The lobsters are tied, put in stout perforated boxes, which are kept securely floating on the water, and when the fishing-smacks arrive from London, are transferred to the "wells" of these vessels. The lobsters that are brought from Norway are principally used for sauce; these are of two kinds—one much coarser than the other, having a very hard shell, and generally covered with small white blotches that look like chalk patches. The number annually shipped from the coast of Norway to the London markets amounts to over 1,000,000, for which the sum of $100,000 is paid. The vessels sail daily, and for many years the English lobster companies have employed agents along the entire coast to purchase the lobsters from the fishermen. They are usually sold by the piece, not by weight, and are quoted at an average price of 18s. to 20s. per dozen at Billingsgate fish market, which is dearer than in this city. The minimum size of the lobsters to be sold at Billingsgate is fixed by statute. Previous to 1842 no fish of foreign taking or curing, or in foreign vessels, could be imported into the United Kingdom, except lobsters, turbots, stock-fish, live eels, anchovies, sturgeon, botargo, and caviare. The number of lobsters sold during the past year in England was nearly 3,000,000. There has been lately constructed at Hamble, near Southampton, an artificial storing pond, holding 50,000 lobsters, which will keep in good condition for over a month. Several fishing-smacks, capable of carrying 10,000 lobsters each, are employed to collect the lobsters off the coasts o Scotland, Ireland, and France, and to bring them to Southampton, from whence they are transferred to the storing-pond, to be sent to market as the demand necessitates it.

An act was passed in the reign of George II., fixing the closing time for lobsters in Scotland from June 1 to Sept. 1, and there is still a penalty of £5 for taking lobsters on the coast of that country during these months, but, as it is not enforced the consequence is that the quantity of full-size lobsters now taken is gradually diminishing, and is small, compared with that secured years ago. The lobster fisheries on the coast of Ireland are growing less productive, and the number taken at the present time in a season does not aggregate more than 20,000. The fishermen make voyages in row-boats, sometimes of a hundred miles along the west coast, and when they secure a sufficient number they return home. They carry traps, a blanket or two, a bag of meal and potatoes, and a few other necessaries of life, and usually make three or four voyages during the season. The demand for lobsters in France is very small, compared with that of England, and the supply also in proportion. There is a law in force regulating the size of the salable lobsters, which fixes the length at twenty centimetres, about eight inches of our measurement, and if any are exposed for sale which do not reach this size they are liable to be seized and confiscated.

The number of lobsters caught in the vicinity of the City of New-York is considerable, but the quantity could be greatly augmented were more interest taken in the fishery. The principal fishing ground is at Hell Gate, where many are caught in nets baited with fish. The rocky shores of Long Island and New-Jersey are also favorite localities for lobster fishing. Our markets, however, are chiefly supplied from Maine and Massachusetts, the lobsters arriving here "all alive" and also boiled.

The efforts of the early settlers on Manhattan Island to find lobsters, it is said, were fruitless, and it was not until the early part of the eighteenth century that they were caught in this vicinity. Prof. Peter Kalm, in 1748, writing of his visit to the City of New-York, says: "Lobsters are likewise plentifully caught hereabouts, pickled much in the same way as oysters, and sent to several places. I was told of a very remarkable circumstance about these lobsters, and I have afterward frequently heard it mentioned. The coast of New-York had already European inhabitants for a considerable time, yet no lobsters were to be met with on the coast; and though the people fished ever so often, they could never find any signs of lobsters being in this part of the sea; they were, therefore, continually brought in great well-boats from New-England, where they are plentiful; but it happened that one of these well-boats broke in pieces near Hell Gate, about ten English miles from New-York, and all the lobsters in it got off. Since that time they have so multiplied in this part of the sea, that they are now caught in the greatest abundance." Old fishermen, however, doubt this story, and say that lobsters have always existed on the rocky coast of the City and vicinity.

Forty years ago a favorite fishing ground was on the reef of rocks along the shore of the North River, from Castle Garden to Pier No. 4, where great numbers were caught for the markets. John Ling was the chief fisherman, having often as many as 100 pots sunk at a time, but when the number of steamboats plying in these waters increased, the fishing grounds had to be abandoned, and at the present day no vestige of the former fishing business remains. John Ling still lives, a hearty specimen of an old New-Yorker, and is well known as "Chief" Ling, from the propensity he has of always using Indian expressions in his talk.

At this time of the year very few live lobsters are brought to the markets of this City, the majority being sent here from Boston, having previously been boiled at the places where they are caught. They sell at from eight to twelve cents per pound, according to the size and quality. Those which bring 12 cents a pound are warranted to have been boiled alive, which is not always the case with the lobsters that are sold at the lowest price. During the lobster season the fishing-smacks containing the lobsters in their wells arrive daily at Fulton Market, which is the chief place for their sale. In the Summer, however, Catherine Market receives a large share of the lobster trade, and is the principal resort of fishermen who purchase the lobsters for bait. For family use the "canned" lobsters are rapidly gaining favor, as they can be obtained at all times and used with very little trouble. These are sent here from Maine and Massachusetts, Boston and Portland being the chief centres. The Maine lobster fishery is very extensive, and most of the towns on the coast and near the mouths of the Penobscot and Kennebec Rivers are interested in it. The best places for lobsters are at Camden and Northport, as they are a long distance out of the way of the large steamers that ply between New-York and Portland, and which prevent the fishermen from setting their pots.

As an article of food the lobster is the most important of the crustacea, and has been known from the early ages of the world. The Spring lobster was the kind highly prized by the Romans, and to which they gave the name locusta. Lasium was famous for its lobsters, and Athenæus, whose cook-book is the oldest in the world, mentions Apicius, a contemporary of Trajan, who spent much of his time at this place on account of its lobsters. When the fame of the Lybian lobsters reached his ears he sailed to Africa to luxuriate upon their delicate flesh, and arrived on the shores of that country only to be disappointed, for he found their meat, from which he expected such pleasure, to be greatly inferior to that on which he had feasted so luxuriously at Latium.

### Canal Funding Bill—Meeting of the New-York Produce Exchange.

A meeting of the members of the New-York Produce Exchange was held last evening at the Exchange Building, Whitehall street, to take action on the bill now before the Legislature providing for the funding of Canal debt, in order to secure its passage through the House. The President, Mr. A. S. Jewell, called the meeting to order, and Mr. Francis D. Moulton was appointed Secretary. After reading the call, Mr. Moulton addressed the meeting and said that well-informed merchants knew so well that the Canal policy of the State of New-York has been against the commercial interests of the State and country, that he did not propose to discuss the question. They also knew that the Funding bill of 1870, which passed the Assembly with only seven dissenting votes, and which passed the Senate with a vote unanimous, was only defeated before the people because of the perfidy of those who promised to attend to the distribution of the ballots. The speaker would not stigmatize the action of those men, some of whom are on trial before the courts in consequence of their base betrayal of public interests. He only wished to direct serious attention to the fact that the passage of the Funding bill before the present Legislature is in danger, because some legislators are willing to give to their local and mercenary interests precedence over the great commercial interests of the State, and because these men find in the ignorance and supineness of others the truest allies of their opposition. It is, he said, necessary that this Exchange should make itself heard again on this important question, through the representation in Albany of its most effective and public-spirited men, and therefore he submitted that a delegation from their body be appointed to see to it, that as the welfare of the State has once been sacrificed through perfidy, they shall not again suffer through ignorance or indifference, or at the hands of those whose legislative career has been distinguished only by purely mercenary motives or local interests.

After the close of Mr. Moulton's address, the following resolutions, offered by Mr. Alex. E. Orr, of the firm of David Dows & Co., was unanimously adopted, and the under-named gentlemen appointed as committee:

*Resolved*, That the chair appoint a committee of five, of which Mr. Stark shall be chairman, who shall proceed immediately to Albany and represent the interests of the New-York Produce Exchange on the Canal Funding bill, at present on its final passage through the Legislature of this State.

Committee—L. J. N. Stark, Chairman; David Dows, Francis D. Moulton, Jesse Hoyt, M. M. Coob.

### Interruption of a Dog Fight—Punishing Rowdies.

On Friday afternoon, a crowd of about fifty roughs gathered at the house of a sporting character in Woodhaven, Long Island, to witness a dog fight, which was arranged some weeks since. The attendance was made up chiefly of New-York and Brooklyn rowdies, who ranged themselves around a pit in the rear room to witness the fight. Two roughs named respectively John Snooks, alias Kelly, and Geo. Saville, alias Sheffield George, conducted the fight. The police of East New-York received information of the affair, and Officers Heinrichs and Hayes forced an entrance and broke up the fight at an early stage. Snooks, Saville, and others were arrested and taken before Justice Gertum, who disposed of their cases as follows: Saville, $50 fine or ninety days in the Penitentiary; Snooks, $25 or sixty days; James Cassiday and Henry Bergen, $25 or sixty days; William Hawley, $17 or twenty-nine days imprisonment.

### Gen. Woodford's Cadetship.

The examination of the candidates for the naval cadetship in the gift of Gen. S. L. Woodford, Congressman from the Third District, was continued yesterday at the rooms of the Brooklyn Board of Education. After examining the answers of the candidates, seventeen names were struck from the list of competitors, and subsequently the number left was further reduced to four. Finally the field was left to Arthur B. Tracy and S. C. Partridge, and at the close the former was declared to be slightly ahead. Should the successful candidate fail to pass the examination of the surgeon, the appointment will be given to the second on the list. The former is sixteen years of age, resides at No. 64 Greene-avenue, and attends the New-York College. S. C. Partridge is fifteen years old, and resides at No. 46 Van Buren-street. He graduated from Public School No. 35, New-York, and now attends the Adelphi Academy.

### Objects of Art.

A fine collection of bronzes, old china, ancient mirrors and clocks, repousse metal-work, electrotype reproductions, &c., is on exhibition at the Clinton Hall sales-rooms. Among the curiosities of the collection will be found a burgomaster's cradle, dating from the fifteenth century, curiously painted and ornamented; a very old chest of drawers, of Puritan times; some quaint Spanish peasant pottery; an old English rose-water dish; some ancient spoon cabinets inlaid with silver; a court cabinet of Queen Ann's time, and a table painted in Amsterdam at the time of the Mississippi bubble, bearing some interesting Dutch inscriptions. There are also some fine specimens of sgraffito and delft-ware, with a number of electrotype reproductions of objects in the Kensington Museum and the Louvre.

### The Brooklyn School Scandal.

Mr. W. N. Reid, late principal of Public School No. 13, Brooklyn, has been notified to appear before the Teachers' Committee of the Board of Education, on Tuesday, to prefer his charges against the local Board of School Trustees. The latter will also prefer their charges against Mr. Reid, and both sides will be investigated by a joint committee composed of five members of the Teachers' Committee and five citizens.

## MILITARY GOSSIP.

The Seventy-first, Col. Vose, will attend divine service, at 2 P. M. to-day, at Association Hall. The services will be conducted by the Chaplain, Rev. James L. Hall.

The date of the proposed reviews by the Commander in Chief of the National Guard, has been fixed for the First Division on the 3d of June, and for the Second Division on the 4th. The troops of the First Division will be formed in close column of companies, right in front, the head of the column resting on Fifth-avenue as follows: The Second Brigade on West Ninth-street. Battery B on East Ninth-street. The Third Brigade on West Tenth-street. Batteries C and G on East Tenth-street. The First Brigade on West Eleventh-street. Battery K on East Eleventh-street. The artillery is assigned and will report as follows: Battery B to the Second Brigade. Batteries C and G to the Third Brigade. Battery K to the First Brigade. The Separate Troop Cavalry will report at Nos. 7, 9, and 11 West Thirteenth-street, at 4 o'clock P. M. The column will march at 4:30 o'clock P. M., the Separate Troop Cavalry leading, the brigade organizations in open column of companies, following in the order named, parading the artillery assigned to each in rear of the infantry, and the cavalry in the rear of the artillery. The line of march will be up Fifth-avenue to and through Fourteenth-street, to the point of review, which will be established on the plaza at the northern end of Union-square. To avoid unnecessary interference with the lines of travel, the following line of march will, as as nearly as possible, be observed after passing in review: Organizations whose armories are located on and above Fourteenth-street and west of Fifth-avenue, will continue through Seventeenth-street to and through Irving-place northward; all others will continue through Seventeenth-street to and through Third-avenue to their several armories.

The orders for a parade of the Second Division on the 27th inst. have been countermanded, and the same is ordered for Wednesday, the 4th prox., when the division will be reviewed by the Commander in Chief. The troops will be formed at 4:30 P. M., in deployed line, as follows: Fifth Brigade, on westerly side of Clinton-street, left resting on Atlantic-street. Eleventh Brigade, on westerly side of Clinton-street, right resting on Atlantic-street. Batteries A and B, artillery, and Separate Troop Cavalry, on Atlantic-street, right resting on Clinton-street. The line of march and point of review will be announced in subsequent orders.

The Seventy-ninth Regiment is ordered to assemble at the armory, West Twenty-third-street, on Thursday evening, at 7:30, in full uniform.

Decoration Day, Friday next, is a legal holiday. The ceremony of decorating the graves of departed comrades will be performed at Cypress Hills and other cemeteries. Appropriate exercises will take place in the evening at the Academy of Music. Rev. Geo. H. Hepworth will deliver the address, and Gen. Joseph R. Hawley, of Connecticut, pronounce an oration. Contributions of money and gifts of flowers, plants, and shrubs will be thankfully received at the Head-quarters of the Grand Army of the Republic, No. 31 Union-square, between the hours of 9 A. M. and 9 P. M., and by the Treasurer, Post-office Box No. 704. The entire proceeds will be donated to the Union Home and School for Soldiers' and Sailors' Orphans.

A circular has been prepared by the National Rifle Association which is to be forwarded to every regimental commander in New-York, New-Jersey, and Connecticut, in which is incorporated a request that they forward to the Secretary, Capt. Geo. W. Wingate, No. 194 Broadway, New-York, the names of the proposed competitors in their respective commands. On receipt of their names a ticket will be sent through their commanding officer, to each competitor, which will entitle him to practice on Creedmoor Range every Wednesday and Saturday to date of match, without charge. This ticket will also state the hour he is to shoot and target he is to practice upon. This ticket must be produced on the day of the match, but may be transferred to another member of the same organization in case of an inability to attend. A circular will be issued at the same time to regular members of the association requesting the forwarding of their names to the Secretary, if they propose to compete, with all dispatch. By this means the association members can ascertain beforehand the hours for practice and targets to be used.

The Charlestown, Mass., Cadets, will be the guests of our Twenty-second and Seventy-first Regiments some time next month. They will be accompanied by Gilmore's Band, and will probably arrive here on the 18th.

The board appointed to select a breech-loader for the United States Army have decided on the Springfield system, and recommend its adoption. Ninety-nine arms of American manufacture were tested. The Chassepôt, Mauser, Werndt, Vetterlein, Martini-Henry, and the various needle-guns and their improvements were also subjected to careful experiment.

The Harrisburg (Penn.) *Telegraph* says: Some of our contemporaries are wonderfully mystified on the subject of the repeal of the militia tax. There is no occasion for any misunderstanding of the law. The act of April 15, 1873, repeals all acts or parts of acts imposing a per capita tax upon persons liable to military duty. It, therefore, repeals the commutation tax of fifty cents, specified in the act of the 21st of April, 1858, for arms, accoutrements, and exercise, specified in the act of Congress of May 8, 1792, and also the exemption tax of fifty cents specified in the act of the 7th of April, 1870, to be levied on those liable to perform military service. But it does not repeal the per capita tax of not less than $1, authorized by the act of the 26th of March, 1864, for the purpose of meeting the bonds and obligations, or interest thereon,

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With the first indication that the end of the Modoc war is near at hand comes a rumor of impending Indian troubles in Nevada, but based only on an excited council, the presence of some strange savages, and the fact that the Indians have provided themselves plentifully with ammunition. It seems that so long as an Indian exists we must expect every Summer to be disturbed by risings of more or less consequence, and if the settlers generally are as accommodating as those at Spruce Mountain, from whence the latest trouble is reported, the advantage will at the start be with the savages. In this case, when the settlers became alarmed and sought to provide themselves with ammunition to meet the expected foray, they found that the Indians had bought up all the powder in the settlement a few days before, thus leaving the whites defenseless. At this distance it seems stupid for the inhabitants of an isolated settlement, surrounded by disaffected Indians, to permit them to buy powder. The imprudence in this case may lead to several murders, or even to protracted Indian hostilities. In no case can the settlers be certain that they can supply their savage neighbors with arms and ammunition with entire safety to themselves.

What are we to do with the Modocs who have voluntarily given themselves up to Gen. DAVIS? The order went out from Washington weeks ago that the entire band should be exterminated. Is this order to be put in force against those who have surrendered? Whatever course Gen. DAVIS and his superiors may take, they will be sure to incur the virtuous denunciation of such partisan sheets as the *World*, and such Ishmaelites as the *Tribune*. To hang the Modocs who have surrendered will be called a cruel butchery. To spare them will be stigmatized as a weak and wavering policy. Now the course to be taken would seem quite clear to those who value at their true worth the criticisms of unscrupulous politicians. If any of the Modocs now in Gen. DAVIS' camp are guilty of the murder of Gen. CANBY and his companions, they should be tried and hung. If any of them can prove their innocence of that crime, their lives should be spared. The order to exterminate the band so long as they were in the field, was justifiable in the circumstances. To put to death indiscriminately the Modocs who have now laid down their arms, would be to draw no distinction between the murderers of CANBY and the less guilty of Capt. JACK'S warriors.

Gov. NOYES properly said in his speech when renominated, that the Republican Party "has had control of things in Ohio for the last sixteen years, and no man has been able to find any evidence of fraud, corruption, or mismanagement." The Democratic Press is unable to deny a fact so creditable, but the Cincinnati *Enquirer* wants to know how it is the taxes have increased from $8,000,000 in 1855 to $25,000,000 in 1873. The obvious answer to the question is that it is due to the changes in the condition of the country which resulted from putting down the Democratic rebellion. Democrats are very fond of citing the cost of government before and since the war as a proof of Republican rascality, but they are always careful to omit mention of the war itself. This argument having been used in two Presidential campaigns without effect, may as well be dropped.

Now that all the facts have become known concerning the reported deaths from cholera on the steamer *John Kilgour*, while en route from New-Orleans up the Mississippi River, the cases do not appear to have had any of the well-known symptoms of genuine Asiatic cholera. These cases have, however, caused considerable excitement in the West, and the fright should be put to some use by inciting the authorities to put the cities in good sanitary condition. While there is no evidence that we have or may expect cholera, the weather yesterday was a reminder that it is not improbable we may have a very hot Summer, and we may therefore properly inquire whether the City is prepared for it. We have full confidence that the new Board of Health will do all that is possible to get the City into proper sanitary condition, but the cleaning of streets having been unwisely left to the Board of Police, that most important matter is entirely out of the hands of the proper authorities. It is quite certain that the streets are not now in a state that warrants us to expect immunity from the perils of even ordinarily hot weather, and the Board of Police should take immediate steps to increase the efficiency of the Street-cleaning Bureau.

If the Board of Education does not wish to take the risk of falling under the suspicion that it is controlled by evil influences, action should be taken at the next meeting in regard to the salaries and number of its officials other than teachers. Some time ago we showed that $22,633 per annum might be saved by properly reducing the salaries of the clerk and auditor, and doing away with the sinecures of physician, counsel, and several clerks. This sum does not appear to be large, but it is worse than wasted, as nearly all of it goes into the pockets of men who obtained office during the ascendency of TWEED, which means that they got it by favor of TWEED. The board must act promptly in this affair, and it must also do something decisive as to the choice of a clerk. If it is intended to keep the present incumbent, let the board have the courage to select him. The long postponement of a final decision in these important matters is not advancing the Commissioners in public respect.

Among the visitors at Police Headquarters, yesterday, we find GEO. G. BARNARD, ALEX. FREAR, and HARRY GENET. As the sequel to a long and arduous struggle for reform, a result like this is, to say the least, not encouraging. If it is true that a man may be known by the company he keeps, the Mayor's pet Commissioner is not likely to be congenial society for that functionary's late ardent supporters—the Committee of Seventy. We may presume, by the way, that the estimable gentlemen composing that body have not yet been informed of CHARLICK'S appointment, or consider it a proper one, as we have not heard of their entering any formal protest against it.

### The Crisis in France.

The long-expected crisis in the affairs of France has come at last. A fortnight ago there was a genuine panic among the Legitimists following the success at the polls of Communists like MM. BARODET and RANC. Timid people who were erecting new houses gave orders to their builders to suspend operations, others who had ordered new furniture caused the orders to be countermanded, and available cash was being furtively collected for transmission to safe-keeping in England. The election of the Socialist Deputies from Paris and Lyons had fairly revived the Red spectre again, and the Republic, "democratic and social," was supposed to be on the point of re-establishment. For this state of things M. THIERS was held to be solely to blame. He had bid for the support of the Gambettists in that celebrated message of his, and though he had at intervals seemed disposed to lean upon the Right for support, and to allow them to dictate his future policy, he had of late filled vacancies in his Cabinet by men of unquestionably Radical sympathies, and seemed finally to have made up his mind to stake the existence of his régime upon the definitive proclamation of the Republic. Hence, the Conservative majority of the Assembly were compelled to recognize the fact that the hour had come for them either to stand by their principles or to desert them forever. The President could no longer govern, and apparently would not if he could, through the even balance of parties. The *pacte* of Bordeaux had by sheer force of circumstances come to an end; the provisional order of things was doomed, and the question had boldly to be faced, What was to succeed it?

The political scene in France has shifted so quickly during the last four weeks that it may be worth while to trace the change a little more in detail. During the existence of the present Assembly, elections have been held at six different times to fill vacancies in the representative body. On each occasion the verdict of the people has been the same; the triumph of thoroughly Republican candidates has been almost unbroken. Great significance was attached to the vote of Paris on April 27, because the capital still exerts much of its old power over the political thought of France, and because M. THIERS, in his oversanguine way, made the blunder of throwing the entire weight of his influence in favor of the moderate Republican, M. REMUSAT, as opposed to the Communist ex-Mayor of Lyons, M. BARODET. On May 11 Lyons had an opportunity of echoing the voice of the capital, and of returning the compliment paid to the late head of its dispossessed municipality. Paris took up the very advanced Lyonese politician so that M. THIERS might have no excuse for misunderstanding its dissatisfaction with the existing provisional order of things, and the necessity for entering upon a line of policy more decidedly Republican than heretofore. Lyons took from the capital a still more pronounced radical than it gave Paris, by electing M. RANC, who had been a member of the Revolutionary Government during the second siege of Paris, and who has escaped being either shot or transported, like most of his associates, mainly because he ceased to be a leader of the Commune before the commission of its worst excesses.

The colleague elected for this Communist Deputy is a man whose Republicanism is equally pronounced. In two other departments where elections were held on the same day, the result was an equally decided victory for the Radical Left. In the remaining department, in which a vacancy was filled on May 11, a coalition of the partisans of NAPOLEON IV. and HENRY V. succeeded in electing, by a narrow majority, a declared Bonapartist. The return of four Deputies out of five, pledged to demand the immediate dissolution of the Assembly and the definitive proclamation of the Republic, was not likely, in view of similar electoral results that had preceded it, to be without its influence on the policy of the Government. The debate which has occupied the Assembly during the last few days was the beginning of the battle which must be fought over issues on which the majority of the French people have one opinion, and the majority of their nominal representatives have another. The division which has ended that debate shows that the monarchical parties are as determined as ever to resist the obvious tendency of public opinion, while their action in following up their victory by the election of Gen MACMAHON as President proves that they are prepared, if need be, to throw France into civil conflict for the purpose of proving that the Assembly is wiser than the nation from which it derives its powers.

Looking at the struggle from this distance it would seem that the Conservatives have chosen their ground badly. Certain Government measures were on the point of being introduced, which, under the existing conditions of French parties, were likely to meet with formidable opposition. These bills relate to the constitution of the Second Chamber, which is to receive and transmit the powers of the present Assembly to its successor; to the reform of the electoral law, by requiring a year's residence as the qualification of a voter; to the formation of electoral districts, and to the transmission of the powers of the President. It is a task utterly beyond human ingenuity or wisdom to devise laws on such subjects which will be thoroughly satisfactory to any but a small section of the French Assembly. The Conservatives would undoubtedly have thought them too liberal, and the Radicals would as certainly have considered them much too conservative. Had the Right merely left the Government to indicate its programme and to invite action upon it, they would probably have found themselves, as they have frequently done before, enabled to defeat these proposals by the aid of the extreme section of the opposite wing of the Assembly, and so have perpetuated the provisional order of things which they so evidently desired.

We can hardly doubt that the struggle which has been precipitated through the fears of the reactionary party in the Assembly will terminate in a great Republican triumph. France of 1873 is not the France of 1849, and MACMAHON is neither a possible successor to the rôle of Prince-President LOUIS BONAPARTE, nor, to seek another analogy, to the rôle of Gen. MONK. The Assembly is sovereign it is true, and can, if it pleases, declare HENRI V. King of France to-morrow. But the 368 deputies who united in accepting the resignation of President THIERS as final are united in nothing save their fears of a socialist Republic. Half of them may believe in the pretensions of the Comte DE CHAMBORD, but the remainder are divided between the adherents of the Orleans succession and the restoration of the BONAPARTES. Then the 339 Republican deputies constitute a very solid and powerful minority. They have it in their power, by abstaining from all participation in the further proceedings of the Assembly, to make that body neither constituent nor sovereign, and thus to force on the general election, which must inevitably result in the return of a compact Republican majority. Meanwhile, MACMAHON and his troops may be trusted to keep the peace. More than this we do not believe that the French Army as now constituted will do. To expect it to give its implicit adhesion to either Imperialist, Legitimist, or Orleanist candidate, without the preliminary of an appeal to the popular vote, is to rely blindly on the analogies of French history. The Republic exists in spite of the Assembly, and the trial of strength which has been forced upon it will, if we mistake not, result in evolving from the existing political chaos a popular government, stronger, more self-reliant, and more stable than any that France has yet seen.

### Hints to the New Board of Education.

The new Board of Education has thus far been acting with discretion and energy in its important field. A subject will come up before it very speedily which demands judicious treatment. Till the last year there has always been in the management of our public schools a somewhat different theory from that which prevails in what may be called the most intellectual part of the country—the New-England States. In those States it has been recognized from the beginning of their history that a teacher accomplishes more and a child learns better by both being allowed a very considerable vacation. In the public schools and colleges of Massachusetts and Connecticut, there are usually some three vacations in the course of the year—the Winter-holidays, a fortnight in Spring, and a long Summer vacation. This made altogether nearly three months' rest during the year. In England and on the Continent the vacations are even longer. It is well understood now by all managers of education that a teacher's work is not and ought not to be a mere routine, but that it demands life, energy and invention. To secure these, a rest from brain-work for two or three months and a change of air and scene are invaluable. The trustees of the New-England schools understand that the teachers are worth more to them for their holidays. Their work is fresher and more efficient. The best schools in all countries allow their teachers a good holiday.

On the other side, parents see that their children do much better brain-work by limiting its duration, and that a child who attends school nine months in the year will really accomplish more in the long run, and be better fitted for life, than one who works from one year's end to the other. Even half-time day-schools are held now by many authorities on education to be better for the children than full time, and long vacations are thought now indispensable to form a good physique and a healthy brain. The theory in the New-York public schools has always been different, and the difference may account for the somewhat more mechanical and routine-like method of teaching which has prevailed here. Our teachers did not have so much vacation as in other parts of the country, and therefore did poorer work. None of the schools of the City have ever enjoyed a "Spring vacation." The Winter holidays have been short, and the Summer vacation often cut down to five or six weeks. In our peculiar climate it is probably desirable to throw the vacation into the Summer. After the hot weather fairly opens here, say in the middle of June, every one knows who is familiar with the public schools that no work is done in them that is of the least value. The teachers are worn out and oppressed by the heat. The children are weakened and nervous by their long confinement in school and the extreme temperature, so that whatever is done in the schools is a mere form and ceremony. When July begins our public-school children might as well be on the parks for any intellectual benefit they obtain. A vacation from the first week of July to the second week of September would benefit both teachers and scholars. This customary New-England vacation was tried last year by our schools with good effect, and we trust will be repeated this year.

Before the schools break up there is one practical matter which we trust will be attended to by the Board of Health. It is well known that in the families whose children attend the public schools, a large number of infants perish every Summer from that pestilence of New-York, cholera infantum. We have published, recently, a very sensible list of instructions to poor parents in regard to preventing this disease, prepared by Dr. JACOBI. Why could not the Board of Health cause a little schedule of similar practical directions to be printed, showing exactly what measures each mother should take to prevent or cure this terrible disease, and then distribute this tract through the public schools at the opening of Summer? Dr. STEPHEN SMITH'S experience in this matter will be invaluable, and a simple, clear paper prepared by him, and thus scattered through the tenement-houses of the City, might save thousands of lives. There is nothing that the poor need so much as instruction in regard to the prevention of children's diseases, and the best channel of reaching the families of the laboring classes, is, undoubtedly, the public school. If with this, some means could be provided to the children of our public schools for securing bathing facilities in the Summer months, and for obtaining occasional excursions to the country, we feel that more would be done in preventing disease and pestilence, and in raising the standard of public health, than by any amount of medical aid afterward.

### A Master of Villainy.

The high cost of living, and, more, the competitive rage for extravagant living, are inducing, both in the United States and England, a ratio of crimes against property among the educated classes which is on the increase, and has become a serious and characteristic evil of the times. Where a large fraction of a community live habitually beyond their means, the expedient of theft, forgery, or embezzlement seems, for a calculable number, to be simply a question of time. Mr. BUCKLE would, at all events, have undertaken to estimate the proportion, and would probably have come very near it. The crimes of the upper classes are becoming, in truth, so deplorably frequent that they cease to attract that peculiar attention which was once inevitable. We have before us a list of clergymen, lawyers, professors, officers of banks, and other financial agents who within a year have committed penal offenses, and the catalogue is an appalling one. In the great majority of these cases the temptation to wrong has sprung directly from the simple fact that the guilty party has been spending more money than he could earn. In the first place, his neighbor's wife has been more expensively dressed than his own, his neighbor's table more richly served, his neighbor's equipage has cast his modest turn-out into the shade. He has reasoned himself, little by little, into the idea that it was necessary for his "position" not to be outshone in this manner. He, too, he becomes persuaded, ought to live in a "certain way." To turn the thought to act becomes the dream of his life. The great thing to get is opportunity. He begins by straining himself desperately with overwork. Trace out the history of nine out of ten of the defaulters and forgers, and you will find this a part of it. The ambition and vanity that lead to the crime have had previous expression in savage struggles with fortune. The struggles have caused exhaustion, weariness of body and spirit, perhaps rage and despair, but—such in these days is the too common experience—have not brought success. By and by comes the "opportunity" in another shape. The shape is that of temptation, powerful in proportion to the weakened force of the victim. Almost always what he takes is to be replaced. Whether securities from a safe, the cash belonging to a friend, or the forged paper put up as collateral for a "margin," the intention is to restore the property at the earliest possible moment. The moment does not come, and ruin is the consequence. It seldom occurs, however, that the ruin is posthumous.

In most of the cases lately recorded exposure and opprobrium have come like an avalanche to overwhelm the living offender; but some times craft, or luck, make it otherwise. In the English town of Ross, in Herefordshire, an instance has just come to light which has created the utmost surprise and indignation. A young solicitor named JOHN HENRY SKYRME succeeded a few years ago to the extensive business of a Mr. HOOPER. SKYRME was trusted implicitly by the whole neighborhood. Squires, yeomanry, shop-keepers, vied with each other in pouring business into his office, and trusting their funds for safety and investment in his hands. He had the letting of many houses and landed estates, and in the absence of owners, large balances lay with him uncalled for. Meanwhile he was one of the best-liked of men. He was supposed to be very rich, and lived in a handsome, luxurious style. Married to a young wife whom he tenderly loved, his expenses were largely increased by the costly elegance with which he insisted on surrounding her. He was one of the most respected people of the place, "open-handed and open-hearted, generous to a fault, accessible and pleasant, frank, open, and simple." Such was the impression he made on the community of Ross, and this he had kept up for years. But on the 26th of April he was found dead in his bed. It was supposed that he had died of apoplexy. The deepest sympathy was felt and shown for his wife and family. Amid profound manifestations of feeling from all classes his body was consigned to the grave. All the shops were closed in the town. All the local dignitaries joined in the funeral procession. All the newspapers published long and laudatory obituaries. But almost before the grave had closed over SKYRME'S remains an abrupt and mysterious revulsion swept through the town.

It now appears that this man was one of the coolest, most elaborate, and most wholesale swindlers that even our time, with all its affluence of villainy, has yet produced. Forgeries of his have turned up of astounding character. Half the people who trusted him are ruined. Those who gave him money to put out on mortgage got their mortgages—but the instruments were forged. Even brother attorneys were cheated in this way. Purchases of property were managed in the same fashion. Twenty people, who have believed themselves owners of mansions and estates, now find their deeds are shams. On the day of his death SKYRME'S banking account was overdrawn to the extent of a hundred thousand dollars. Nearly every tradesman in Ross proves to be a heavy loser. What is most astonishing is that the man kept up so long. Not a whisper affecting his credit or fame seems to have been heard until the whole black story burst, like a thunderclap from a clear sky, upon the community. It is now currently believed that to poison, and not apoplexy, is to be assigned the man's death. He was one of those, it seems, who was resolved at all hazards and all costs to live in a "certain way;" he did so—and he has his reward. Nothing but the failure of an important bank of deposit could have caused such wide-spread misery as has SKYRME'S unparalleled rascalities; and his tomb is loaded with the execrations of all those with whom he had lived for years in affectionate intercourse. It is trite, and perhaps idle, to dwell on the lesson and the warning of all this. The mere story, in its own mournful impressiveness, can hardly be bettered as an homily, and so, without comment, it may wisely be left to stand.

### Charlick.

Mr. CHARLICK is to be the governing spirit of the new Police Commission. How, then, may we expect the Police Department to be governed? To answer this question it is only necessary to consider the manner in which CHARLICK has managed the railroad which he has owned for many years. As he manages his railroad, so, doubtless, will he manage the department which Mayor HAVEMEYER has committed to his clutches.

The Long Island Railroad has long been an example of parsimonious and stupid mismanagement. But one express and one accommodation train run the entire length of the road each day. Residents along the eastern division of the road, at stations where the express does not stop, have, therefore, but one train per day by which they can reach the City. Those who live in the neighborhood of the City have but little better accommodations. Between Jamaica and New-York, CHARLICK runs but seven trains daily. The North Shore Road, since it was rescued from the hands of CHARLICK, runs twenty-two trains daily from New-York to Whitestone, and has consequently built up all the villages along its route. CHARLICK, on the contrary, by his parsimonious conduct, has blighted the prosperity of towns like Jamaica by rendering it nearly impossible for their residents to do business in New-York.

The equipment of the Long Island Railroad is an outrage upon the public. The passenger cars are built in the cheapest possible manner, are wretchedly ventilated, and are provided with the old-fashioned and dangerous couplings. In Winter they are heated—when heated at all—by miserable stoves, and lighted with dirty oil-lamps. Of course CHARLICK declines to incur the expense of safety brakes, or of fences—his road being left open to every wandering cow who chooses to graze on the grass between the sleepers. Recently he has attempted to make the Long Island Railroad a route for travel to and from Boston, and has actually put a few decently built and equipped cars on the Boston train. This train, however, is of little use to residents along the road, who are forced to put up with cars such as are better fitted for cattle than for human beings. The station-houses provided by the munificent CHARLICK are for the most part wretched sheds, while at many stations there is nothing more than an open platform. The trains run slowly and irregularly, and on the Sag Harbor branch of the road there is no telegraph by which the location of belated trains can be indicated.

Now, a man who is too miserly to incur the cost of providing the people of Long Island with a decent railroad, even when it is certain that the expense would be an investment that would ultimately yield a handsome return, is hardly the man to manage a great and costly department like that of the Police. A man who has for years been utterly deaf to all remonstrances from the ill-used people, whose only mode of communication with the City is the Long Island Railroad, and who treats with cynical contempt the public opinion of three counties, is surely not fit to protect the people of New-York from thieves and ruffians. There is, probably, no man in the country who is so thoroughly hated and despised by the people of Long Island as is OLIVER CHARLICK, among whom it has long been a maxim that it is impossible to libel CHARLICK. What greater insult could Mayor HAVEMEYER put upon his betrayed fellow-citizens than to compel them to intrust the safety of their lives and property to this man? If there is anything in regard to this notorious person that is thoroughly well known, it is his complete incapacity to manage a line of railroad ninety-four miles in length. If he is not fit to manage the Long Island Road, is he fit to manage the police?

## SUMMARY OF AMUSEMENTS.

### Theatrical.

RECORD OF THE WEEK.

Two new plays have been acted this week at our theatres. "Madelein Morel," produced at the Fifth-avenue, on Tuesday, is extremely well played, and, so far as scenes and furniture go, beautifully equipped. No piece of the season at this house has offered so many strong names, and there is no instance in the cast of an actor being overweighed by his character. The opening dialogues are rather too long and diffuse, but the interest is afterward well-sustained, and Mr. Daly shows his usual tact and appreciation for the taste of his public in the changes and amplifications he has made in Mosenthal's text. Our decided objection to the plot and drift of this play was recorded on Wednesday, and is confirmed by reflection. If it were desired to injure the stage by putting weapons into the hands of its foes, no surer way could be devised than that of offering pieces like "Madelein Morel." The palliation of vice, wrought through devising, for theatrical use, exceptional circumstances to group about and urge us to forgive if not admire a particular instance of sin, and thus of leading to a general application weakening and injurious to the moral sense, ought to be reprobated by every true friend of the drama. The tendency of such a play as "Madelein Morel" is as palpably to increase by condoning sexual immorality as that of "Paul Clifford" or "Jack Sheppard" is to promote forging or till-tapping. Besides, there is a more special objection to this Fifth-avenue drama. Several of the female characters are supposed to be theatrical performers. Now, the text implies in the most unmistakable manner that these actresses of the *dramatis personæ* are loose women. It is all very well to say that these persons are intended to be exceptional, and not typical of a class; the great mass of the audience accept them in the latter sense and in no other. We have been accustomed, in common with most rational supporters of the stage, to protest against certain sweeping denunciations, mainly current, as we have supposed, with the ignorant and bigoted, and leveled against the females of a profession which has been graced by some of the purest and noblest of women; but if the stage itself is to be made the vehicle of such implicit denunciations, the task of defense will apparently become difficult indeed. "Madelein Morel" seems to have been put together in this regard to undeceive those who have held to the prejudice that a woman may be an actress and still be chaste and respectable. We should regret very much to be persuaded that our former belief on this delicate subject was a mistaken one, and still more if the theatre could be made the instrument for dispelling the illusion. But even in the humblest of callings people are wise enough not to cry stinking fish; and, were we to accept the worst construction "Madelein Morel" would thrust on us, we should admire the sagacity of the playwright (supposing him really to have the interest of the stage at heart) as little as the lewdness he describes. We have not been surprised to hear that the houses to see "Madelein Morel" have been very good indeed. That is a circumstance for which the public is responsible—the Press having fairly and generally done its duty in the premises—and which the public must therefore reconcile with its self-respect as best it may..... At the Union-square Theatre Mrs. Shook's piece "Without a Heart," has been repeated nightly to good houses. Much improvement has been effected since the first night, and the action of the play is now much more smooth and satisfactory. Miss Maud Granger, the débutante of Wednesday, will prove a decided acquisition to the Metropolitan stage. The part she acts in "Without a Heart," does not by its nature call for, or, indeed, admit of the portrayal of the tender and sympathetic emotions. To be a fine actress, nevertheless, a woman must be born *with* a heart, and Miss Granger plays *Martha Dobson* well enough to leave us in doubt as to her claims on this interesting point. We can speak of her endowments otherwise with more confidence. She has an uncommonly good stage presence, easy action, a remarkably telling voice, and—rare gift or accomplishment for a novice—looks at people when they talk to her, and shows clearly that she thinks of what they say. The usual habit of tyros is to limit this species of attention to their own speeches and "business," and to let their companions take care of themselves. Miss Granger in this, and in other ways, shows the effect of good training on good natural abilities. Whether the young lady has power to cope with other and more exacting rôles than that of *Martha Dobson*, remains to be seen. Her future will depend much on her resolution and industry. The strength to resist the poison of flattery, and to construe rightly the plaudits of the ignorant and the interested, are of hardly less moment in a case like hers, than dramatic talent itself.....Mr. Daly has extended the duration of Mr. Fechter's engagement at the Grand Opera-house, and additional evidences of the artist's talent are promised us. On June 2, we learn, "The Corsican Brothers" will be given, with Mr. Fechter in the dual rôle he has already filled with so much impressiveness.....A thorough revision of the pantomime at Niblo's is announced for to-morrow evening. Lulu's marvelous jumps will, however, continue to be the principal attraction of the performance.....Mr. W. H. Whalley will, to-morrow night, commence an engagement at Wood's Museum. "Captain Jack, or the Modoc War" is to be the new play.

### Musical.

MR. WIENIAWSKI'S CONCERT.

Mr. Henri Wieniawski, the eminent violinist, is to bid farewell to his New-York admirers on Friday evening next. The leave-taking will be effected in a concert which promises to be particularly attractive, but of the details of which we must reserve an enumeration. A recital of Beethoven's Septet is mentioned already among the elements of the programme, and Mme. de Ruyther and Mlle. Draudil are, with other artists, to appear.

MR. RUBINSTEIN'S DEPARTURE.

Mr. Anton Rubinstein sailed for Europe at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon, aboard the steamship Donau. Of his last performance in public a notice appeared in these columns Friday morning. On Friday afternoon, however, Mr. Rubinstein kindly contributed his co-operation to a matinée concert for the benefit of Mlle. de Passardi, at whose disposal Mr. Joel R. Wolfe, of No. 305 Fifth-avenue, generously placed his *salons*. Probably the most fashionable, and certainly the most fascinating, audience the pianist has played before in this City enjoyed the result of his efforts. Messrs. Bergner, Schiever, and Herman, Mlles. Liebhart, de Passardi, and Henne were also listened to. In connection with a reference to Mr. Rubinstein's departure, we may here mention, although not given to the publication of gossip in relation to artists, that the gentleman received about $46,000 in gold during his engagement. All his expenses were defrayed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Mrs. Gulager, Mr. Mills, Mr. Remmerts, and other artists, will take part in a concert for the benefit of Mr. Raden, to occur at Robinson Hall, on Friday evening next.....Mr. John F. Morgan, having been ordered to the Pacific coast because of ill-health, is to profit soon by a complimentary concert. Mr. Henry Carter is to succeed Mr. Morgan as organist at Trinity Church.

Miscellaneous.

MRS. LE VERT'S READINGS.

Among the entertainments lately introduced to vary the usual diversions of society that of the private reading—"private," although tickets are paid for for the benefit of the reader—seems to have grown much in vogue. A lady gives a reception and, alternated perhaps with music by competent artists, offers her guests a programme of choice selections by some elocutionist of acknowledged ability, thus imparting a certain intellectual character to the festivities of the occasion. Quite a number of gatherings during the past season have been gratified by this feature, and among the most prominent and successful readers has been Mme. O. W. Le Vert. The social talent and distinction of this amiable Southern lady have long been recognized in both America and Europe; but her abilities in this new field have only lately been made prominent. Mme. Le Vert was unhappily a heavy loser by the war, and we have no doubt that many of the hundreds from the North who were recipients of her graceful hospitality, and made happy by her genial kindness in past times have been, and will be, glad to honor her talents and profit themselves while enjoying in this manner her elocutionary abilities. An opportunity of the sort was afforded last Wednesday evening, at the house of a well-known lady at No. 244 West Thirty-fourth-street; and there will be others of like nature shortly in New-York and Brooklyn. Mme. Le Vert and Miss Le Vert are domiciled for the season at the Coleman House, where they intend to remain, we are told, until Midsummer.

### Home News.

The Boston *Herald* prints the item following: "It is reported that an English theatrical manager has made the proprietor of the Dedeon estate, on Washington-street, an offer for the property, with a view to building a large and elegant theatre. The estate contains about 240,000 feet, has a front of 200 feet on Washington-street and 120 feet on Concord-street. A very large class of theatre-goers live at the South End, and as they are now obliged to come a great distance down-town to musical or theatrical entertainments, the project proposed will doubtless be hailed with great satisfaction by them."....Mr. Edwin Booth acted in Albany yesterday.....A representation for the benefit of the widow and family of the late J. H. Selwyn is to occur in Boston on June 14....Mrs. Bowers was, at last accounts, in the fifth week of her engagement at the California Theatre.....The Vokes Family were last week at the Boston Theatre.....Mr. Stuart Robson was at the Walnut-street Theatre, in Philadelphia.....A Boston paper mentions that Boston Music Hall stock is selling at $200 a share, although it pays only seven per cent. on half that sum—its par value. It is, however, worth $200 as real estate, and it is generally understood that a well-known millionaire and large land-owner, who controls property in the vicinity, would be glad to see a controlling interest in it to build a large hotel fronting on Tremont-street.....The Lydia Thompson Troupe, *sans* Miss Thompson, but with the other members, have entered upon a month's engagement at Fox's American Theatre, in Philadelphia.

### The Paris Theatres.

*Gallignani's Messenger* writes as below of two new pieces just produced in Paris. At the Variétés, the performance was dwelt upon as follows: "An opera-bouffe, in three acts, 'La Veuve du Malabar,' by MM. Delacour and Crémieux, music by Hervé, has been brought out here with a certain degree of success. The subject is not by any means new, as a tragedy with same title was produced toward the end of the last century by Lemierre, and which, although a poor composition, had a certain reputation. It had, we must state, failed deplorably at first, but obtained an immense success ten years after, in 1780, owing to the superiority of the actors. On the revival, the author felt that the eye must be struck in order to excite the imagination, and an admirable effect was produced by a vast burning pile, the widow throwing herself into the fire, and a fine actor, with heroican arms, rescuing her from the flames which were about to devour her. All Paris flocked to witness this wonderful scene, which everybody could appreciate, and the piece had thirty representations, an enormous number for that day. Such, at least, is the account of the matter published by Le Harpe, in his *Cours de Littérature*. In the new piece just given to the public all is changed. The widow of MM. Delacour and Crémieux is a simple marchande de modes of the Rue Vivienne, who had married in Paris an Indian nobleman, and who proceeds to Malabar to reclaim the faithless Ismala or *Boulbourn*, who has abandoned her. Armed with a revolver, she forces her quondam lover to again receive her, and he, in revenge, pretends to be dead, in order that his widow should be burnt alive, according to the law of the country. Matters, however, turn out somewhat less tragically. A revolt takes place among the women of Malabar; the authorities abrogate the cruel law, and content themselves with selling the widow by auction. *Tute-Lily* is bought by a nabob, in the teeth of the husband, who dares not say a word for fear of being hanged or beheaded, as he has rendered himself quite worthy of that consummation. He disguises himself as a servant to prevent the happiness of his rival, makes himself known, and is forgiven by his wife, while the paternal Government of Malabar accords him a free pardon. We mentioned above that the success was only relative, and still the chief part was enacted by Mlle. Schneider, with her usual ability, while another character was personated by Mlle. Hamburon, who, as all said, is an accomplished singer. Dupuis was also a fugitive lover *Boulbourn*, and Berthelier, a nabob of the country; but all would not do. The piece is intrinsically weak and without much interest. Likewise, Hervé's music was not so happy as usual, so that notwithstanding a lavish expense in dresses and decorations, and the united exertions of such clever performers, no enthusiasm was manifested either in the course of the performance or at the close. The best musical morceaux in the work are the couplets of Mlle. Hamburon and those of Mlle. Schneider at their first entrance, the movement on Article 213, a bravura duo between the two above-named artists, and the couplets, admirably sung by the latter, in the scene of the sale. The phrase 'Voyez Pauper' is given by her with much charm and grace. Of course the piece will have a certain run, but not, we should say, like that of 'the Grande Duchesse' or the 'Belle Hélène.'" Of affairs at the Ambigu, the critic says: "A drama in five acts, by M. Arsene Houssaye, 'Mademoiselle de Vertus,' has been brought out here, and on the first night was hissed heartily. It is the conflict of a courtesan and a virtuous young girl, who dispute the heart of a lover. The former, in order to keep her paramour, slanders her rival, who dies of grief, while the young man, when he is turned adrift by his mistress after he has ruined himself for her, commits suicide, like an idiot, as he is. Thus vice is rewarded and virtue punished, and thus derogation from the usual moral of dramas was probably one of the causes why the piece was so badly received. *Lucca*, the demoiselle with such a crowd of virtues, so-called, by antiphrasis, because she does not possess a single one, is an absolute monster. She tells her lover that the young girl is only an adventuress, like her mother; also, that her fortune is derived from an impure source, and offers to prove the fact. And, in effect, one evening, at the Café Anglais, through the complicity of a waiter whom she has bribed, the door of a private room opens at the moment *Gontran* is passing, and he perceives *Mlle. Hélène Stellier* with an unknown gentleman. At a later period the reader learns that *Lucca* has disguised a waiting-maid who resembles the young lady in the face, and given her a part in the comedy. *Gontran* has been the dupe of a mystification. M. Arsène Houssaye shows in *Lucca* presiding over the change of toilette which is to transform the chamber-maid into a girl of high birth. And while that travesty is being enacted under our eyes, we are forced to say to ourselves, 'Well! if he can be taken in by such a manœuvre, he must be a decided donkey!' So that when *Gontran* exclaimed, 'I see her; it is she!' a loud burst of laughter resounded through the house. The piece might have been saved from condemnation by superior acting, but it was only very moderately performed."

### Heavy Gale in Tennessee—Boats Sunk and Buildings Damaged.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., May 24.—A gale, accompanied by a heavy fall of rain, passed over this city at 6 o'clock this evening, doing considerable damage. The tow-boat Little Alps, with two barges in tow, capsized and sunk 100 feet of water. The barges were cut loose. All hands were saved. The boat belongs to Lucius Miller, and was worth about $5,000; the insurance is unknown. The front wall of Gage & Fisher's cotton warehouse was blown down. A boy named Callie Pierce was severely injured. The rear wall of Cooper Christian's cotton warehouse was also blown down.

## THE METROPOLITAN MUSEUM.

**The Cesnola Collection—Superb Loans of Objects d'Art—Other New Features.**

The people of New-York may be congratulated upon the prospective opening of the Metropolitan Museum, in the new quarters on Fourteenth-street. The old masters purchased so judiciously by Mr. Blodgett are still up-town, but collections are being prepared for their reception, and in a comparatively short time all the art treasures of the association will be gathered under one roof. Some expressions of regret have been uttered that the Douglas mansion, which is the present museum, is not fire-proof, but perhaps there is more of sentiment than of sense in this regret. For the building is isolated, and its internal arrangements are such as to make a fire a very improbable occurrence. And fire-proof structures have turned out such pitiful impositions, such mere shams, when tested by a fiery ordeal, that New-Yorkers may console themselves with the reflection that these artistic jewels would be just as exposed to danger if they were sheltered by a nominally fire proof building. All dwelling-places are liable to catch fire. The interesting point is, whether the internal arrangements are of a nature to permit it to be readily extinguished. The answer in the case of the Douglas mansion is emphatically in the affirmative, whereas there are not a few fire-proof houses of iron and granite where a fire, when it once gets in, cannot be got out. The best fire-proof wall is the vigilance and the discipline of those who are in command. Doubtless, in this instance, the house is as safe as mortal hands can make it. And this is an important point, because the great charm of the museum is in the superb treasures of art which have been loaned by numerous millionaires of the City.

These make up the chief glory of the museum, from the artistic stand-point. The sweet things that have crept from dusky corners in the houses of the wealthy, into the glare of day, within these rooms, must prove completely strange to the vast majority of the visitors. The objects carved in jade, belonging to Edward Matthews; the cloisonné enamels of Meredith Howland; the sarpen lac ware of S. Whitney Phœnix; the exquisite pottery and faïence of Samuel P. Avery; the specimens of rare and delicate book-binding of Robert Hoe, Jr.; the Cyprus ware of the Prime collection; the Japanese collection of pottery belonging to Russell Sturgis—all these united present an attraction of which New-York has never seen the equal. And the best thing about these treasures is that they furnish mines of ideas in decoration to manufacturers and artisans. We hear that when the museum is formally opened to the public, it is in contemplation to charge an admission fee of fifty cents per head. We most sincerely trust that this will be only for visitors during the day, and that at night time the entrance will be free. For there are many matters here which it behooves an artisan engaged in certain pursuits to see and to study. It is our shame that all our manufactures, our molds and our patterns come from Europe. Why? Simply because the pattern-makers of those countries on the other side of the ocean take in from such museums as this one faster than they give out, and therefore are never exhausted. A single glance at the Grolier bindings, or the beautiful work of Cupe, of Paris; Lortic, of London; de Rome, and others, would give a wall-paper maker designs for a month. The C. C. men of Trenton, Woodbridge, and Philadelphia, who so slavishly purchase all their molds for jugs, cups, everything, from Paris, can in a brief study of the Prime, Avery, and Sturgis collections learn how to fashion original designs for themselves. The jewelers of our Metropolis will find the same advantage. Before this museum was, of course, men could not be original. It is only one man out of a million who can evolve shapes out of his inner consciousness, with no other hints save what dear nature gives. But the case is radically changed, when, within a stone's throw of his dwelling, the artisan finds a building crammed with objects gloriously fresh and varied in line and color, and wonderfully full of detailed ornamentation.

The attempt to give a detailed description of these precious loans could only result in a severe confusion of ideas. There is far too much for a single effort. The articles are so numerous and so varied that they naturally fall under distinct heads; and it will be, on future occasions, the privilege of THE NEW-YORK TIMES to present to its readers a series of criticisms, taking up in one article the subject of jade, in another of Egyptian pottery, in another of Chinese and Japanese enameled ware, in another of majolica, of which unfortunately there is very little to be seen; in another of faïence generally, in another of French and German porcelain, in another of artistes in lac, and so on. Perhaps it would be a good thing if some of the articles might be loaned to the Cooper Institute for the temporary instruction of the art-schools. Possibly, also, the leaders of this museum association, who seem to comprehend the position, and to be doing great good, may publish a monthly Art Journal, illustrated with wood engravings of many of the splendid things in the various collections, so that the art-lovers of the country, far and near, may have a chance of profiting by this present opportunity. For the museum now is a true educator. On every side are articles which have tales to tell, and ideas to give. And it is certain that by such a service thousands would be reached who otherwise would hear little or nothing of what has been done for art. There will be among all worshipers of the beautiful a genuine enthusiasm and excitement over this most excellent beginning in the right road. And all will have the one desire that this feeling may be disseminated as far as possible.

As for the Cesnola collection, it may with justice be said of it that the pottery and the glass-ware are of themselves worth far more than was given for the whole thing. For the statues, artistically, are worthless, but archæologically they have a high value. The temptation to plunge into a subject replete with ethnological and philological hints is great, but we repeat it, because a detailed effort of description could only be confusing. But the jewelry, the glass-ware, and the ceramics are gems, and we shall be proud of them, and shall see famous foreigners come to our City to study them. Let it be distinctly understood that neither in the British Museum, nor yet in the Louvre, nor yet in the Vatican, can be found such a collection of glass-ware as we have here. The making of glass dates from prehistoric times, but no one nation of antiquity ever discovered or indeed thought of discovering to make transparent glass. The object of those times was to give iridescence to the material by mingling with it before melting various substances, such as metallic oxides, &c. Some very beautiful specimens of this iridescent glass was brought by Layard from Birs Nimroud, and adorns the glass collection of the British Museum. But neither in brilliancy of color, in variety of hue, and of shape can they vie with the Cesnola collection, which is in reality unrivaled.

A few words must be given to some valuable modern pictures, loaned by different gentlemen, to add still more attraction to the place. The finest of these is the "Refectory of a Convent," by Zamacois, which for superb painting, solid color, and subtle gradations is unequaled by any other effort of this great artist. It is characterized also by a grim adherence to truth, a forcible putting behind him of all temptations to be comic or pathetic. He has simply been just, and his portrayal of the self-absorbed gluttons is Dante-like in its simplicity and power. Gerome's over-rated picture, "The Runners of the Pacha," is here, too, and a powerful landscape by Daubigny in a different style from our American, but very pleasing. There is Holman Hunt's picture of "Isabella and Her Pot of Basil," which, if time allowed, could be proved a harsh production, greatly over-estimated. There are some good Spanish pictures, one by Madrazo, which though it belongs to the millinery order somewhat, is by a man possessing the highest powers and brimful of superb technique. Another of the same nationality is by Boldini, very eccentric, but wonderfully strong. There are others by Boughton, Merle, &c., all very pleasing and satisfactory. But looking at the Villegas, the Zamacois, the Madrazo, the Boldini, one cannot help seeing that the Spanish school is coming up like a storm, and that there is a fearful decadence in the French. Let picture-buyers look out for Spanish and Slavonic artists, for they are the coming men. The Germans are nothing if not academic, and Pilots cannot save them. The French are in decadence, and have to struggle through a reform movement, before they come up. In the meanwhile the domain of art will be possessed by the Slavons and the Spaniards, who have adopted French technique, and have art behind it. The Frenchman for a long time has had nothing save conceit or lewdness.

Of the old masters we do not care to speak much. There are Tintorettos and Murillos, a Rubens, and twenty others by great men. Some of them are undoubtedly copies. Others may be genuine. But one cannot feel for them the same interest that a picture by a living artist possesses for everybody. And there is nothing there which compels enthusiasm as a truly great old master would. Turner's "Slaveship" occupies a position between the two rooms, being apparently rejected by ancient and modern painters. The light is bad for this picture, which is nothing if not seen under a proper light. Were it better placed it would not win higher encomiums, for it has the misfortune to be highly unpopular. With all due respect to Ruskin, it is not so great a picture as he supposed and taught. Turner set out to paint a picture that should be all color-tone, and in which line should be the merest accessory. That was well, but the sinking legs and arms in the foreground and the strange fish were in opposition to this idea, and reveal Turner's consciousness that a man cannot suggest ideas by color alone. There must be some foundation of line, as a *sioporn* for the imagination.

## OBITUARY.

### James William Wallack.

A private telegram was received in this City yesterday, from Aiken, S. C., announcing the death of Mr. James W. Wallack, the well-known tragedian. He was on his way to New-York, accompanied by his wife, having passed several weeks in the South for the improvement of his health. Letters received a few days ago by his friends in this City stated that he was improving, so that the news of his death was entirely unexpected. The death of Mr. Wallack was a very sudden one, as he expired in the sleeping-car of the train on which he was coming home. The disease and immediate cause was that of consumption, and his remains are now in the City of Richmond, Va. Several of the friends of the deceased left for Washington last night, to receive and escort the body to this City for interment.

James William Wallack was born in the City of London in the year 1816, being named after his uncle, Mr. James W. Wallack, the "Veteran." Young Wallack made his first appearance on the theatrical stage in the Winter of 1822 as *Cora's* child, in the play of "Pizarro," at the Chestnut-street Theatre in Philadelphia, his uncle playing *Rolla*. Having been educated with a view to prepare him for the vocation of an actor, Mr. Wallack made his début in 1839, at the age of twenty-three, as *Fag* in the comedy of "The Rivals," at the old National Theatre in this City, the entrance at the corner of Leonard and Church streets. After performing as a stock actor at various theatres throughout the United States with tolerable success, Mr. Wallack visited England in 1851, making his first appearance in London at the Haymarket Theatre, March 8, as *Othello*. He subsequently played a round of legitimate characters, but did not create any decided impression. After filling engagements in the English provinces, Mr. Wallack returned to America in 1852, and appeared in the month of November as *Macbeth*, at the Arch-street Theatre in Philadelphia.

During the next ten years he performed in nearly all of the leading cities of the Union as a star, being most successful in parts requiring a rugged physique or powerful declamation. Possessing a voice of considerable compass, he at times thrilled his audiences by passionate elocution, and he was also noted for his excellence in "character" acting. In this City Mr. Wallack was at one time quite a favorite, and will long be remembered for his masterly rendition of *Henry Dunbar*, in the play of that name. He made a hit at Wallack's Theatre a few years ago in the character of *Johnson* in the "Lancashire Lass," his quaint acting and his delivery of the words "A party by the name of Johnson" giving rise to a popular street saying. When Mr. Fechter assumed the management of the Boston Theatre in 1870, Mr. Wallack was the leading member of the company, but he soon retired in consequence of a personal misunderstanding. He has since filled a series of star engagements in Boston, Philadelphia, and other cities, and his last engagement in this City was at Booth's during the present season, in "The Bells" and "Henry Dunbar." He also played *Mercutio* to Miss Neilson's *Juliet*.

Mr. Wallack married Mrs. Sefton, *née* Ann Waring, who was a very successful actress in her time, though she retired from the stage several years ago.

### The Late Joseph Fagnani.

The funeral of Mr. Fagnani, the lamented painter, whose sudden death on Thursday was so great a shock to his wide circle of friends, took place yesterday morning from St. George's Church, Stuyvesant-square. A great number of persons assembled to do honor to the memory of the upright gentleman and admirable artist who has thus untimely passed away. Among the assemblage, besides Mr. Fagnani's bereaved wife and family, were many of our best-known citizens, including distinguished representatives of the various arts and professions, the Union League Club, &c. Rev. Dr. Tyng officiated, and spoke with eloquence and tender feeling on the virtues, the example, and the future of the departed. After the ceremonies in the church and after those present had taken a last look at the form of the dead, the casket was closed, and the funeral procession moved slowly from St. George's to the railroad depot in Forty-second-street. The remains have been taken thence to Boston, and are to be placed to-day at Mount Auburn. That Mr. Fagnani was widely beloved could not be doubted by those who saw the gathering yesterday at his obsequies. There are few not strictly in public life whose decease would call forth such general expressions of sorrow, and none in any walk who could be mourned more tenderly. The sweetness and elevation of Mr. Fagnani's character had doubtless much to do with this. Seldom do men bear their share of life's honors so meekly, or of its disappointments with such gracious patience. His memory will be cherished with love and hope by many a dear friend left behind, whose warmest sympathies are with his afflicted family.

### Descent on Brooklyn Gamblers.

Capt. Woglom and a squad of officers from the Fifth Precinct made a descent last evening on a gambling-house kept by Charles Williams, at the corner of South Third and Sixth streets, Williamsburg. The keeper of the saloon, with his employes and eleven of his customers, was arrested and locked up. The prisoners, fifteen in number, will be examined at Justice Eames' Court this morning.

### The Liquor Law in Massachusetts—The Isles of Shoals Murderer.

BOSTON, May 24.—At Dedham, last night, the house of Mrs. Alvan Fisher was damaged by fire to the extent of $3,000; insured.

In the House of Representatives, this morning, the bill repealing sections 4, 5, and 6, of chapter 389 of the acts of 1870, was defeated by a small majority. These sections legalize the sale of liquors by apothecaries. The vote discloses unexpected opposition to carrying the stringency of the Liquor law any further.

James W. Eldridge, of North Harwick, was today committed for trial in October for an assault committed a few weeks ago on his father, which resulted in the latter's death.

Wagner, the alleged Isles of Shoals murderer, was arraigned at Alfred, Me., to-day, and pleaded not guilty. He also entered a plea of want of jurisdiction.

## POLICE HEAD-QUARTERS.

### The New Superintendent Taking Charge—A Secret Session of the Board.

The new régime at the Police Central Department was fairly inaugurated yesterday. Immediately after the adjournment of the Board of Police, on Friday evening, Mr. Geo. W. Matsell, who had been appointed Superintendent of Police in place of Superintendent Kelso, removed, was notified of his appointment, and directed to appear forthwith and assume the duties of his office. So well understood was the appointment of Mr. Matsell, that within a few moments after the adjournment of the Board the new Superintendent appeared before Mr. S. C. Hawley, the Chief Clerk of the Department, and took the oath of office. Accompanied by Mr. Hawley, Superintendent Matsell repaired to the office of the Superintendent, on the ground floor of the building, and found Mr. Kelso there waiting to receive him, and ready to vacate the superintendental chair. After the exchange of the usual courtesies, Superintendent Matsell assumed formal possession of the office, and then proceeded to visit the Inspector's office, where he found Inspector Walling in charge. Greetings passed between the Superintendent and Inspector Walling, who had been a Captain under him in the old Municipal force. The detective office was next visited, and a number of the detectives were introduced to Superintendent Matsell, and he soon after took his departure from the Central Office. Yesterday morning the Captains of the various precincts arrived with the morning reports, and paid their respects to the new Superintendent. During the afternoon he left his office, and called on the Mayor, and held a lengthy consultation with him.

As the Board of Police had adjourned on Friday evening to meet again yesterday morning, a great deal of excitement was visible among the officers and employes about the Central Office, who were canvassing with great anxiety the probable results of the meeting. During the morning the corridors and staircases leading to the rooms of the Commissioners were thronged with politicians, who were eagerly discussing the probabilities of the board revolutionizing the entire personnel of the Department. Among the array of political lights, great and small, who called on the Commissioners yesterday, were noticed Harry Genet, James O'Brien, ex-Congressman Thos. E. Stewart, ex-Judge Geo. G. Barnard, Chas. G. Corneli, Alex. Frear, Assemblymen Bischoff, Nagle, and Smith, Mike Norton, James S. Davis, Capt. Wiley, Alderman Cooper, and a host of others of lesser note. The board remained in secret session for upward of an hour, and when they adjourned Mr. Hawley, the chief clerk, announced that the board had done absolutely nothing, except to dismiss a doorman, and had adjourned until Monday morning at 10 o'clock. Those who had expected appointments appeared to be disgusted, while those of the employes of the board who anticipated removal breathed more freely.

The unfortunate doorman dismissed the department was Joseph P. Florence, of the Thirteenth Precinct, and the charge against him was that he had rakes money from a prisoner in his charge at the station-house to aid in procuring his release.

Superintendent Matsell has not yet issued any general order to the force, and it is not yet known whether he will do so.

### The New Police Commission and Their Superintendent.

The following facts concerning the new Police Commission were gleaned yesterday from persons who are perfectly familiar with the subject:

Mayor Havemeyer had not made up his mind as to those he should nominate, until a few days before the nominations were sent in to the Board of Aldermen. He was known to be very desirous of having Matsell appointed as Superintendent, and those who wanted to be nominated for the Police Commission were made aware of the Mayor's wishes in this respect. Those who desired office, with one or two exceptions, readily consented to vote for Matsell in the event of being nominated to the Police Board. If all this were not said in plain language it was at all events well understood by all parties concerned in the bargain. After their nomination some doubts were felt by the Mayor about the immediate confirmation of Oliver Charlick by the Aldermen. He was just as desirous of having Charlick in the Police Board as Matsell Superintendent. The "slate" was at one time made up with the name of Hugh Gardner leading for the five-year term, and Charlick last on the list. There was stronger opposition to Charlick in the board than to any other of the candidates, as was demonstrated by the action of the Aldermen.

A certain proportion of the Board of Aldermen, who had been influenced to support the Mayor's favorite nominee at all hazards, were fearful that if the three others were confirmed first and Charlick last, that the latter would be defeated. It was therefore resolved by the Mayor that Charlick should head the list, to be first voted on, and it was so arranged. When the nominations were sent in, the friends of Gardner and Russell were afraid that if they did not vote for Charlick that their favorite candidates would be rejected, and this, it is claimed, is the reason why Charlick's nomination was confirmed. When the new Board of Police Commissioners met to organize, the appointment of Matsell was a foregone conclusion with the majority, though a minority, it is said, had other candidates for the position, whom they desired to propose.

Both Russell and Duryee are said to be personal friends of Matsell, and evinced, it is said, much interest in his election.

## THE WEATHER.

### Synopsis and Probabilities.

WASHINGTON, May 25—1 A. M.—The barometer has risen, with north-easterly and northerly winds, falling temperature, clear and cloudy weather on the lakes, and thence to Missouri and Kentucky; south-easterly winds, partly cloudy weather, and lower temperature in Tennessee and the Gulf and South Atlantic States; north-westerly and south-westerly winds, generally clear weather, rising barometer, and cooler weather in the Eastern and Middle States and Canada.

PROBABILITIES.

For the Middle States and lower lake region, south-westerly and north-westerly winds, rising barometer, slowly falling temperature, and generally clear weather, with possibly an occasional storm on the middle Atlantic seaboard. In New-England and Canada, rising barometer, clear weather, slowly falling temperature, and south-westerly to north-westerly winds. For the South Atlantic and Gulf States, south-westerly and south-easterly winds, partly cloudy and clear weather, with rising barometer and falling temperature in the former, and increasing cloudiness in the Western and Gulf States; for the North-west and upper lakes, and southward to Tennessee and Arkansas, falling barometer, north-easterly to south-easterly winds, rising temperature, partly and increasingly cloudy weather and occasional rain.

### A Hot Day—Approaching the "Eighties."

Though the weather for some time past has not been what past experience would lead one to expect, still people cannot complain of low temperature. The mercury gradually rose from 58° Friday morning to 78° at 3 P. M. Toward midnight it fell to 60°, and the first sweltering day of the year went down in a thick sickly gray mist. Yesterday people were better prepared to stand the gradually increasing temperature, and, as a consequence, the aspect of the streets presented a more cheerful appearance. The sombre and undecided colored garments of Spring gave place to light and varied costumes, pleasingly diversified with the brilliant and harmonious tints of the ladies' dresses. The mist, which had hung over the City from the previous night, was gradually dispersed by the morning sun, and as it slowly vanished into thin air, a clear blue sky appeared and gave promise of a fine day. At noon the glass stood at 72°, and the effects of the heat was observable on all sides. As the day advanced, 85° was reached, and humanity suffered. It was more severe than a day in July, because the change had been too sudden, and, as a consequence, many succumbed to the scorching rays of an almost vertical sun, and were forced to seek safety in flight or the shade. The day gradually declined, and after the sun had departed a cool, gentle breeze sprang up and toned down the enervating temperature of a broiling afternoon.

### City Meteorological Report.

The following record will show the changes in the temperature, yesterday, with the average for the same, as indicated by the thermometer at Dickinson's drug-store, No. 3 Park-row: 3 A. M., 60°; 6 A. M., 61½°; 9 A. M., 65°; 12 M., 72°; 4 P. M., 85°; 6 P. M., 84°; 9 P. M., 75°; 12 P. M., 70½°. Average temperature, yesterday, 71¼°. Average temperature for the week, 61¼°.

## THE PRESBYTERIANS.

### Tenth Day's Session of the General Assembly—Church Erection Fund—Theological Seminaries.

BALTIMORE, Md., May 24.—The tenth day's session of the Presbyterian General Assembly was opened, with prayer, by W. A. Flemming, of Pennsylvania. Dr. R. R. Booth, of New-York, was appointed Chairman of the Committee on the Consolidation of the Boards of the Church, in place of Rev. Dr. Adams, of New-York, excused from serving. Rev. Dr. Bell, of New-York, called up his resolution proposing a system of mobility of ministers. It was immediately tabled. Rev. J. Barkus, from the special committee on the subject of the publication of a free periodical, reported that in the opinion of the committee, a free paper would not be widely read, and, in any case, its establishment would be attended with much expense, and probably an expenditure of money much in excess of what the Church would cheerfully give. The committee recommended that the Board of Publication be requested to take into consideration the consolidation of the *Monthly Record* and *Foreign Missionary* into one paper. A running debate ensued on the report, which was participated in by a number of delegates favoring or opposing a free paper, during which the assembly adopted a motion limiting speakers to five minutes each. Finally, the subject was disposed of by the appointment of a special committee, consisting of Revs. W. F. Beatty of Pennsylvania, W. Howell Taylor of Brooklyn, J. L. Withrow of Philadelphia, and Elders Chauncey N. Olds and Robert Carter, of New-York, to consider and report on the subject to the next assembly.

The report of the Board of the Church Erection Fund was read. The report shows that the receipts during the past year were $119,774 88. The number of churches contributing was 1,903, and churches not contributing, 2,287. The amount expended in aid of churches was $88,091. The number of churches that received aid was 160. Since the reunion of the Old and New School Assemblies, or during the last three years, the board has completed 585 churches, free of debt, and secured church property worth $3,000,000. The board recommend that in future all contributions to this fund be made to the treasurer of the board, and also that not more than $1,000 be allowed in aid of any one church.

After debate the report and recommendations were adopted.

The report of the Committee on Manses was taken up, and discussed until the hour of recess.

After recess the special order—the report of the Committee on Missions for Freedmen—was submitted, with a recommendation that the assembly commend the missions for freedmen to the sympathy and hearty support of the whole church. The report shows that the receipts during the year were $63,125; expenditures, $59,260. The report gives an interesting account of the number of churches, Sunday-schools, missionary associations, communicants, Sunday-school scholars, &c.

Rev. A. C. McClellan, the Secretary of the Regular Committee on the Missions of the Freedmen, addressed the convention, and was followed by Rev. E. J. Adams, colored, who delivered a forcible speech in connection with the report.

Other speeches were made, after which the report was adopted.

The Committee on Church Polity reported.

The assembly adjourned until 8 P. M., when the report on theological seminaries will be considered.

On reassembling, the report on theological seminaries was adopted.

Debate arose on the proposition to omit all titles, such as "D. D.," "LL. D.," &c., in the official rolls of the Church, and the subject was referred to a committee to report to the present assembly.

Several resolutions not of general interest were referred.

The assembly then adjourned until 9 o'clock on Monday morning.

### Adjournment of the Southern Presbyterian Synod.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., May 24.—A special dispatch from Little Rock, Ark., says the Southern Presbyterian General Assembly has adjourned. Nearly all the members have gone home. No definite action was taken in relation to an organic union, but the general sentiment was clearly in favor of uniting with the Dutch Reformed Church rather than with any other body of Presbyterians.

## CENTRAL AMERICA.

### Gen. Barrios Elected President of Guatamala—Hostile Movements Contemplated Against the Government.

PANAMA, May 15.—According to the most reliable reports, both by recent visitors to Central America and periodicals of the different republics of that section of America, matters there are in a state of abeyance, that is to say politically. As to material progress, it proceeds *pari passu* with the degree of peace enjoyed at any one point.

In Guatemala Gen. Barrios has been elected Constitutional President, instead of Garcia Granada, who has been hitherto Provisional President. Gen. Barrios is a man of very energetic character, and visits with swift punishment rebels against the existing Government. The political situation, on the whole, is favorable; the people are industrious, and require only the aid of judiciously-constructed railroads distributed through the country, to raise it to a high rank as a producing country. The climate as well as the inherited temperament are both favorable to progress. Of course, everything depends on peace, and whether Gen. Barrios can hold his own. The rebel faction has been suppressed. The rumors brought by the passengers in the last steamer, however, tend to the belief that a war cloud is being formed to again disturb the tranquillity of Guatemala. In the Department of Quezaltenango there exists a large population of Indians, at once ignorant and fanatical, who form a nucleus in which it is easy to sow the seeds of discord and rebellion. Among the passengers from Central America are a Señor Palacios and a notorious adherent of ex-President Medina, of Honduras, known by the name of Medinita. For some time kept a prisoner in Salvador, he has been allowed to leave, and is now in Panama. Señor Palacios is discontented with the present administration of Guatemala, and is a man of considerable wealth and influence. As if in confirmation of the rumor that a hostile movement is in contemplation against the present Government of Guatemala, we find that the steamer General Sherman, of the Costa Rica Railroad enterprise, has been purchased, and is said to be about to be overhauled and fitted out in Aspinwall with a large stand of arms. The plan is to proceed, when ready, to Omoa, or some other port of Honduras, overthrow the government of that Republic, reinstate Medina, and cross the frontiers of this Republic, or go by the port of Izaba and open up a communication with the said Indian population of Quezaltenango, and so organize a counter-movement to upset the existing Government of Guatemala. In this movement, of course, all the old adherents of ex-President Medina's party in Honduras will be ready to take part, and the presence here of such a notorious bandit as Medinita shows there is something in the wind. Señor Palacios is known to be a man of intelligence and influence, and his embroiling Honduras with Guatemala, bodes little good for the continuance of the present tranquil prospects of the Republic of Guatemala.

### Heavy Land-Slide Near Southampton.

PITTSBURG, Penn, May 24.—A heavy and serious land-slide has occurred on the Pittsburg and Connellsville Railroad, in a deep cut near Southampton, twenty-three miles west of Cumberland. The first fall of earth and rocks took place on Saturday last; another slide took place on Tuesday, and the earth has been falling at intervals since. The track is now covered to the depth of fifty feet, and for a distance of 1,000 or 1,100 feet. A large force of men has been at work day and night building a temporary track around the cut, and it was completed last evening.

### Quarantine Affairs.

ALBANY, May 24.—After the Supply bill had been disposed of in the Senate to-day, Mr. D. P. Wood, in answer to an inquiry by Mr. Allen, said that the Finance Committee had made an exhaustive investigation regarding quarantine matters, and had come to the conclusion to recommend the abolishment of the Construction Board, which was simply a wheel within a wheel, causing great trouble and expense without any responsibility. He also said the committee found that large amounts of money had been squandered, but they did not discover any corrupt practices. Under the management of the new Health Officer, however, there was more economy, and the expenses had been reduced $30,000 the past year. A further reduction of an equal amount was promised for next year. With the appropriations about to be made by the Legislature, the erection of buildings would be completed, and no more money would be called for on that account.

### The Devil-Fish of Fiction and of Fact.

Mr. Henry Lee, F. L. S., comparing the description of the octopus by M. Victor Hugo in his *Travailleurs de la Mer*, writes in *Land and Water*: "In his relation of the manner in which the octopus captures its prey the novelist is substantially in accord with nature. The points on which he chiefly errs are: 1. The structure, use, capability, and effect on its victim of its arms and suckers. 2. Its general organization. 3. Its mode of progression when swimming. 4. The manner in which it devours and digests its food. The arms of the octopus are not used as weapons of constriction, compression, or suffocation. They are eight radiating, supple, tapering thongs, in ordinary specimens about eighteen inches long, on each of which are mounted, in a double row, numerous sucking disks, which decrease in size toward the tip of the limbs, and act as so many dry cupping-glasses. There are normally about 240 of these suckers on each arm, making a total of about 1,920. I have counted more in some individuals. M. Hugo gives their number at '50 on each arm, 400 in all;' so on this point he very much understates his case. The cups themselves, by their internal mechanism for air-exhaustion, and consequent pressure of the outer atmosphere, adhere firmly to any substance to which they are applied, whether stone, fish, crustacean, or flesh of man; but in the octopus they have no power to puncture or lacerate the skin, or to cause blood to flow. They are merely pneumatically prehensile organs, by which the animal's prey is caught and held; not by 'harpooning,' as the novelist supposes, but by their atmospheric adhesion to the surface of its body. In this genus the sucking disks are composed of a muscular membrane, the circumference of which is thick and fleshy, and in some species cartilaginous, but in all unarmed, and only adapted to secure close, air-tight contact with any object it may touch. When experimenting on the holding force of an octopus I have allowed it to fix its suckers firmly on my arm and the back of my hand, and by pretending to try to pull them away from its grasp have caused it to exert its utmost power of resistance and retention. The only effect of this has been that the vacuum produced an almost indistinguishable circular mark, corresponding with the edge of the larger disks, and not nearly so distinct as would be caused by the application of a glass tube to the skin, and the partial exhaustion of the air in it by drawing it from the cheek or the back of the hand and tongue. In some of the cephalopods the outer circle of the cups is a horny ring, sharply serrated or dentated around its edge; and in others—for instance, Onychoteuthis—the centre of each cup is provided with a sharp, strong hook, which is plunged deeply into the flesh of any prey for the better security of its hold; but the cuttle-fishes thus furnished are, unlike the octopus, habitually swimmers, instead of rock-crawlers. The sessile arms of the octopods are considerably longer than those of the decapods, or ten-armed cuttle-fishes, but the latter have, in addition to the eight corresponding ambulatory ones, two long tentacular arms, which, in some genera, are marvelous in the perfection of their compound apparatus for securing and holding a struggling captive. This arrangement is well suited to their habits and mode of life. Animals purely swimmers, such as fishes, must hunt and overtake their prey by speed, would be impeded by having to drag after them a bundle of lengthy appendages trailing heavily astern. But a long reach of arm is an advantage, instead of a hindrance, to the octopus; for, although it can swim on occasion, its ordinary habit is to remain lurking in some favorite crannied or boulder-throne for protection well back in the interior of the recess—its bright eyes keenly on the watch; three or four of its arms firmly attached to the walls of its hiding-place, the others gently waving, gliding, and feeling about in the water, as if to maintain its vigilance and keep itself always on the alert, and in readiness to pounce on any unfortunate wayfarer that may pass near its den. To small fish, crustacean or mollusc, the slightest contact with even one of those lithe arms is fatal. Instantaneously as pull of trigger brings down a bird, or touch of electric wire explodes a torpedo or gunning fuse, the pistons of the series of suckers are simultaneously drawn inward, the air is removed from the pneumatic holders, and a vacuum created in each; the victim strives to escape; a further retraction of the central part of the disk makes all secure; and, as arm after arm, containing a perfect mitrailleuse of interlocked air-guns, take hold, battery after battery of them is brought to bear, and the pressure of the air is so great that nothing can effect the relaxation of their retentive power but the destruction of the air-pump that works them, or the closing of the throttle-valve by which they are connected with it. Hugo gives us the means of estimating the size of the body of the octopus which attacked Gilliatt. He tells us that its arms were 'nearly a metre (39 inches) long.' None of so great dimensions have, I believe been found in the English Channel, but it is not impossible that such exist. Granting this, the body of such an octopus would not be much larger than a soda-water bottle or a Florence flask, such as olive-oil is sold in; and so the 'horrible bag,' which is a monster, and into which you are to be inhaled and drawn alive, is but a small affair after all. The sucker, also, which the novelist says ranged from the size of a five-franc piece (which I find to be one and a half inches in diameter) to that of a split pea, would, commencing at the largest of them at the bases of the arms, be from the size of a sixpence to that of a pin's head or the smallest of pins. The plain truth is that the octopus and other cephalopods obtain and eat their food very much like the rapacious birds. They are the falcons of the sea. Some of them, like Onychoteuthis, strike their prey with claws and suckers; others, like the common octopus, lay hold of it with suckers alone; but they all tear the flesh with their beaks, and swallow and digest their food in as unromantic a fashion as does hawk or vulture."

### The Question of Advertising.

*To the Editor of the New-York Times:*

Will you be kind enough to state the relative amount of space occupied by advertisers in the leading morning papers, taking the issues of yesterday for example? The facts thus elicited might be of interest to a large number of business men, and particularly to

AN OLD ADVERTISER.

On careful measurement of the advertisements in yesterday's TIMES, *Herald*, *Tribune*, and *World*, adopting the columns of THE TIMES as the standard of measurement, the following is the result:

TIMES—Twenty-nine and one-third columns of fresh, live advertisements.

*Herald*—Twenty-six and one-quarter columns.

*Tribune*—Twenty-four and a half columns, four of which are European advertisements and railroad time-tables of long standing, at probably nominal rates.

*World*—Fifteen columns, one-third of which are occupied by "auction sale" announcements, taken at rates too low to be accepted by any other morning paper.

THE TIMES yesterday, therefore, contained more advertisements than any other City paper.

### The New German Rifle.

An article in the *News Militärische Blätter* gives a glowing account of the new Mauser rifle adopted for the German army. This weapon has been in the hands of the men of the Fusilier battalion of the first regiment of the Guards since last September. The results obtained from it are described as most satisfactory. The German paper says the firing is remarkably sure, especially at long distances; it is less so at shorter distances, but that is not of so much consequence in the conditions of modern warfare. In regard to the maximum rapidity of firing we are told that it reaches eighteen per minute in the case of a single marksman using the regulation cartridges, and twelve per minute in volley firing. In actual war the number might be estimated at twelve or eight discharges, as the time required for pointing must be taken into account, and no new construction will ever greatly diminish that. The new weapon has also considerable advantages in regard to rapidity of loading. "In short," sums up the German paper, "it cannot be questioned that we have a weapon excellent in all respects; in mode of construction, solidity of mechanism, tension of trajectory, security for the marksman, rapidity of fire, lightness of weight, certainty of discharge, and general convenience in handling. The army would have good cause to congratulate itself on all this in the event of a new campaign. Meanwhile, it will not forget that it is to the indefatigable zeal of our War Minister and our high military authorities it owes this new gun, which is at the least equal, if not superior, to all the contemporary models of Europe."

### Murder by a Colored Man in Virginia.

RICHMOND, Va., May 24.—Horace Venable, a negro, was arrested last night on suspicion of murdering a negro woman named Mary Holmes, whose body was found in the canal. He confessed that in an altercation with the woman he knocked her in the canal, and, becoming frightened, ran off and left her to drown. The murderer will have a preliminary trial on Thursday.

### Confederate Soldiers' Graves Decorated.

LOUISVILLE, May 24.—The graves of Confederate soldiers at Grove Hill Cemetery were decorated with flowers to-day by the ladies of the Monumental Association. Two or three thousand people visited the grounds. Extensive preparations are being made to decorate the graves of the Union soldiers in the same cemetery on the 30th inst.


The whole nation, it can be truly said, now see and acknowledge that Hernia can be permanently cured by the New Elastic Truss, which retains the rupture absolutely in all cases, in worn with ease night and day, and is never taken off for the few weeks necessary to cure the patient, who can attend to his business as usual meantime. This Truss is sent by mail every where by the Elastic Truss Company, No. 683 Broadway, New-York City, who send their important circulars free when requested.—*Harper's Weekly.*

ON THE WARPATH.—Josh Billings' great prophetic letter, written in November, 1871, on the "Border Injun," "Cruelty to Animals," and "Peace Policy," will appear in *Baldwin's Monthly* for June. It will be illustrated by Nast.—*Express.*

A JUDICIOUS BIRTHDAY PRESENT for gentlemen who smoke is, undoubtedly, a genuine meerschaum pipe or cigar-holder, warranted, and sold at the lowest manufacturers' prices at POLLAK'S new Up-town Depot, No. 1,109 Broadway, near the Hoffman House. Repairing neatly done. Boiling, $1.—*Advertisement.*

### Dr. Cotton

Will be at his office, No. 19 Cooper Institute, from 9 A. M. to 6 P. M., to administer the gas in person to all who desire teeth extracted without pain.—*Advertisement.*

"AMUSING"—To have teeth extracted with Laughing Gas at Dr. HASBROUCK'S, late operator at Cotton's, Office, No. 363 Broadway, corner Twenty-third-street. Head-quarters.—*Advertisement.*

On account of its purity and mellowness, CENTURY WHISKY is rapidly taking the place of all other stimulants. For sale by all druggists and first class dealers.—*Advertisement.*

Libraries for $10, for $5, and for $2!!! Send stamp for catalogues to S. R. WELLS, No. 389 Broadway, New-York. Try it.—*Advertisement.*

To Make the Hair Grow,
USE BURNETT'S COCOAINE.—*Advertisement.*

**Shirts, Collars, Cuffs, and Drawers.**
Made to order and warranted.
Inclose stamps for circular.
UNION ADAMS & CO., No. 637 Broadway.

The Best Braces or Suspenders in the world are those made by FISK, CLARK & FLAGG. They make over two hundred varieties. For sale at retail by all furnishing or clothing stores in the Union. Ask for them, and look for their name on every pair.

Hair Dye! Hair Dye! Hair Dye!—Batchelor's celebrated Hair Dye is the best in the world. The only true, harmless, perfect Hair Dye. No disappointment, no ridiculous tints. Harmless, reliable, instantaneous. Sold everywhere by druggists.

For Heath Patches, Freckles, and Tan use PERRY'S MOTH AND FRECKLE LOTION. Sold by druggists everywhere. Depot No. 4 Bond-st., New-York.

Buy Your Hats from Burke, of No. 910 Broadway, corner of Fulton-st. Summer styles in great variety ready at popular prices.

Spencer Style Gentlemen's Hats are ready for inspection and sale at ESPENSCHEID'S, manufacturer, No. 118 Nassau-st.

Wedding Cards, Elegant Styles, at WM. EVERDELL'S SONS', No. 104 Fulton-st.


## MARRIED.

ADAMS—VAN VALKENBURGH.—In Rochester, N. Y., at the residence of the bride's mother, on the 20th inst., by Rev. H. W. Mertz, NORMAN S. ADAMS, of New-York City, and ADDIE VAN VALKENBURGH, of Rochester, N. Y.

EMOTT—TUCKERMAN.—At St. Peter's Church, Cambridge, Mass., by Rev. Mr. Chase, CHARLES

## FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

**Sales at the Stock Exchange—May 24.**

SALES BEFORE THE CALL—10 A. M.

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| 200 | Western Union...c. 85⅛ | 500 | N. Y. C. & H.....100⅛ |
| 5.5 | do.....85 | 100 | do.....s3. 100⅛ |
| 200 | do.....c. 85 | 100 | Union Pacific..... 30⅛ |
| 200 | do.....85⅛ | 700 | Rock Island.....c. 107⅛ |
| 100 | do.....85 | 200 | do.....s3. 107⅛ |
| 400 | do.....s3. 85 | 400 | do.....107⅛ |
| 300 | do.....c. 85 | 100 | Lake Shore.....s3. 90⅛ |
| 400 | do.....84⅞ | 300 | do.....90⅛ |
| 100 | Erie Railway.....83⅞ | 400 | do.....c. 90⅛ |
| 700 | Pacific Mail.....45⅛ | 600 | do.....s3. 90⅛ |
| 800 | do.....45⅛ | 200 | do.....90⅛ |
| 1300 | do.....s3. 45⅛ | 100 | s6. Paul.....54⅛ |
| 500 | do.....45⅛ | 100 | St. Paul Pref.....72⅛ |
| 1700 | do.....45⅛ | 1500 | Ohio & Miss.....41⅝ |
| 1300 | do.....s3. 45 | 100 | do.....c. 41⅝ |
| 1650 | do.....41⅛ | 500 | do.....41⅝ |
| 100 | do.....s3. 45⅛ | 100 | C., C. & I. C.....30⅜ |
| 1000 | do.....c. 45⅛ | 400 | do.....c. 30⅜ |

GOVERNMENT STOCKS—10:15 A. M.

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|---|---|---|---|
| $2,500 | U. S. 6s, '81, R....119 | $1,000 | U. S. 5-20 C. '68.c.120⅛ |
| 35,000 | U. S. 5-20 C. '68.120⅛ | 4,500 | U. S. 5s, '81 C....115⅛ |

FIRST BOARD—10:30 A. M.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| $30,000 | Tenn. 6s, new.. 86⅛ | 200 | Erie Railway..b. c. 83⅞ |
| 13,000 | Tenn 6s o.b. c. 81 | 100 | West. U. Tel..b. c. 84⅞ |
| 1,000 | Br'lyn 6s, W. L.. 94 | 300 | do.....s3. 84⅞ |
| 1,000 | Erie 2d M.....100 | 300 | do.....b3. 84⅞ |
| 5,000 | Union P. 1st.... 86⅛ | 100 | do.....84⅞ |
| 15,000 | do.....87 | 300 | do.....b3. 85 |
| 1,000 | do.....c. 86⅞ | 200 | do.....85 |
| 5,000 | Union P. 10s, In. 69 | 12 0 | do.....85⅛ |
| 1,000 | Cen. P. G. bds..102⅜ | 100 | do.....85 |
| 5,000 | Rell. & S. L. 1st. 91 | 100 | do.....s3. 85 |
| 2,000 | Long Dock, bds.. 99 | 300 | do.....b3. 85⅛ |
| 2,000 | S., N. Y. & E. 1st. 96 | 100 | do.....85 |
| 1,000 | Morris & E. 2d. 103⅛ | 1400 | do.....84⅞ |
| 4,000 | do.....103⅛ | 100 | do.....s3. 84⅞ |
| 1,000 | Mich. Cen. 8s... 112 | 300 | Harlem R.....b. c. 130 |
| 5,000 | Mich. S. S. F....102⅛ | 200 | Panama R. b. c.c. 110⅛ |
| 1,000 | L. Shore D. bds. 93⅛ | 270 | Chi. & R. I. R. b.c. 107⅞ |
| 1,000 | D., L. & W. C....102⅛ | 200 | do.....108 |
| 5,000 | G. & M. C. S. F.. 95 | 200 | L. S. & M. S. b. c. 90⅛ |
| 6,000 | N. Jer. 6 1st.... 74 | 100 | do.....b3. 90⅛ |
| 1,000 | L. S. con C..... 97⅛ | 100 | do.....c. 90⅛ |
| 1,000 | C., C. & I. C.1st. 89⅛ | 500 | Pac. M. S. S. Co.. 45⅛ |
| 5,000 | Tol., T. & W.....86 | 300 | do.....45⅛ |
| 30,000 | W. U. Tel. 7s.. 94⅜ | 200 | do.....c. 45⅛ |
| 5,000 | H. & St. Jo 8s. C. 86 | 1700 | do.....45⅛ |
| 84 | American Ex. Bk..100 | 200 | do.....s3. 45⅛ |
| 50 | Bhoe & Leath. Bk.150 | 200 | do.....45⅛ |
| 15 | Centr'l Nat. Bk... 95 | 200 | do.....45⅛ |
| 40 | Manhattan Bank..151 | 200 | do.....b3. 45⅛ |
| 30 | Gallatin N. Bank.121 | 200 | do.....s3. 45⅛ |
| 10 | Fourth Nat. Bk....112 | 200 | do.....45⅛ |
| 100 | Phenix Bank.....c. 45⅛ | 200 | do.....c. 45⅛ |
| 25 | American Ex.....95 | 240 | Union P. R.....b. c. 30⅛ |
| 2 | do.....b3. 95⅜ | 200 | do.....c. 30⅛ |
| 25 | Adams Express....94 | 100 | do.....b3. 30⅛ |
| 100 | Wells, Fargo & Co. 84 | 100 | C. & N. W. Pf.b.c. 81 |
| 180 | Maryland Coal Co. 25 | 400 | Mil. & St. P.b. c. 84 |
| 300 | Quick. M. Co.b. c. 40⅛ | 100 | do.....84⅛ |
| 100 | Quicksilver Pf.... 49 | 300 | do.....84⅜ |
| 100 | do.....40⅛ | 100 | do.....s3. 84⅜ |
| 200 | do.....b3. 40 | 100 | T., W. & W. b. c. c. 68⅛ |
| 500 | do.....bet. sell. 50 | 10 | P., Ft. W. & C. G. 93⅛ |
| 100 | Mar. L. & M. Co.. 12⅛ | 400 | Ohio & Miss..b. c. 41⅛ |
| 100 | Ont. & St. L. Ld.. 15 | 200 | do.....41⅜ |
| 25 | N. Y. C. & Hud....100⅛ | 200 | do.....41⅜ |
| 100 | do.bet. sell.c.100⅜ | 100 | do.....b3. 41⅜ |
| 80 | do.....100⅜ | 300 | C., C. & I. C.b. c. 30⅜ |
| 200 | do.....s3. 100⅜ | 100 | do.....30⅜ |
| 100 | do.....and other.100⅜ | 100 | do.....b3. 30⅜ |
| 23 | Joliet & Chi. R.... 94 | 100 | do.....30⅜ |
| 200 | Del., L. & W...b. c.103⅜ | 260 | Morris & Essex.... 93⅛ |

SECOND BOARD—1 P. M.

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|---|---|---|---|
| 400 | W. U. Tel..b.c. s3 84⅜ | 200 | Erie Railway..b.c. 83⅞ |
| 300 | do.....84⅜ | 200 | do.....83 |
| 300 | do.....84⅜ | 100 | do.....b3. 83⅞ |
| 200 | do.....s3. 84⅜ | 100 | L. S. & M. S...b.c. 90⅛ |
| 200 | do.....84⅜ | 200 | do.....90⅛ |
| 500 | Pacific Mail...b.c. 45⅛ | 200 | Clev. & P. guar... 87⅛ |
| 400 | do.....45⅛ | 400 | Chi. & R. I.....b.c.108⅜ |
| 200 | do.....45⅛ | 100 | Mil. & St. P...b. c. 84 |
| 700 | do.....45⅛ | 200 | do.....84⅛ |
| 100 | do.....45⅛ | 100 | Bos., H. & E...b.c. 2⅛ |
| 100 | do.....s3. 45⅛ | 31 | Morris & Essex... 93⅛ |
| 100 | do.....45⅛ | 200 | Del., L. & W....b3. 103⅛ |
| 300 | do.....45⅛ | 200 | do.....103⅛ |
| 400 | Quick. Mining.....40⅛ | 100 | C., C. & I. C...b.c. 30⅜ |
| 200 | N. Y. C. & H...b.c. 100⅜ | 200 | do.....b3. 30⅜ |
| 100 | do.....s3. 100⅜ | 100 | Panama.....110⅛ |

SALES FROM 2 TO 3 P. M.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| $2,000 | U. S. 5-20 C. '65. N. 119⅛ | 600 | N. Y. C. & Hud....100⅜ |
| 46,000 | U. S. 5-20 C. '67. 121⅛ | 300 | Erie Railway..... 83⅞ |
| 200 | Western Union.....85⅛ | 100 | Harlem..... 129⅞ |
| 500 | do.....s2. 84⅞ | 300 | Lake Shore..... 90⅛ |
| 100 | do.....f 84⅞ | 100 | St. Paul..... 54⅛ |
| 600 | Pacific Mail.....s3. 45⅛ | 20 | Del., L. & W...b3. 103⅛ |
| 200 | do.....45⅛ | 700 | do.....103⅛ |
| 400 | do.....b3. 45⅛ | 5 | Chi. & Alt. Scrip... 98 |
| 1700 | do.....45⅛ | 100 | Ohio & Miss.....c. 41⅜ |
| 200 | do.....b3. 45⅛ | 300 | C., C. & I. C..... 30⅜ |
| 200 | do.....45⅛ | | |

SATURDAY, May 24—P. M.

The changes in the Bank return, though not important in amount, are in the wrong direction. The Loans, and consequently the Deposits, have gone up each nearly two millions of dollars—Loans $1,771,900, Deposits $1,928,200—while the Gold average is slightly less than last week, $66,300, and the Greenbacks $349,300 lower. The latter probably went into the Treasury to pay for Gold. The Gold operations of the Treasury, including the $1,500,000 sold on Thursday, left little or no advantage to the Banks, as the Customs paid in were about two and a half millions.

The ease in Money was not affected by the Bank return, and the rates to the Brokers, at the close of business, were 6@7 ₹ cent., with some balances left over at 5 ₹ cent. until Monday.

The Gold speculation attracted further attention, and the sales were advanced to 118⅛ ₹ cent., and closed 118⅛@118⅜ ₹ cent. The *Bull* clique in the movement make no demonstration, thus far, in the direction of a "lock-up" of the Cash Gold, though the presumption is that when it does come, it will be without notice to the Street.

This speculation, with the attendant threats to carry it up with a high hand to the damage of the Stock and Money markets, is not without its effect upon the Stock Exchange, where prices were depressed this morning, though showing steadiness at and after the Second Board.

In the Foreign Exchange there is a weak feeling owing to the course of the Gold market. Bills on London, 60 days, are 108⅛@108⅜ ₹ cent., and Sights, 109⅛@109⅜ ₹ cent. The Public Funds continue steady and the Coupon Bonds scarce.

**Closing Quotations—May 24.**

| | Friday. | Saturday. |
|---|---|---|
| United States New 5s | 115⅛ | 115⅛ |
| U. S. 5-20s, May and November | 118⅜ | 118⅛ |
| U. S. 5-20s, January and July | 121⅜ | 121⅜ |
| American Gold | 118⅛ | 118⅛ |
| Bills on London, 60 days | 108⅛ | 108⅛ |
| N. Y. Central and Hudson | 100⅜ | 100⅜ |
| Chicago and Rock Island | 107⅛ | 107⅛ |
| Pacific Mail | 45⅛ | 45⅛ |
| St. Paul Preferred | 72⅜ | 73 |
| St. Paul Common | 54⅛ | 54⅛ |
| Ohio and Mississippi | 41⅛ | 41⅛ |
| Western Union Telegraph | 85⅛ | 84⅜ |
| Erie | 63⅛ | 62⅜ |
| Union Pacific | 30⅛ | 30⅛ |
| Lake Shore | 90⅜ | 90⅜ |
| C., C. and Indiana Central | 30⅛ | 30⅛ |
| Toledo and Wabash | 68⅛ | 68⅛ |
| Harlem | 130⅛ | 130 |
| North-West | 76 | 76 |

PHILADELPHIA STOCKS—MAY 24.

*Telegraphed to Messrs. E. D. Randolph & Co.*

| | Bid. | Asked. |
|---|---|---|
| City 6s, old | 97¾ | |
| City 6s, new | 101¾ | 101½ |
| Camden and Amboy | 119¾ | 120 |
| Pennsylvania Central | 110 | 110¼ |
| Reading | 116⅛ | 116¼ |
| Lehigh Valley | 60¾ | 60⅞ |
| Catawissa Preferred | 42½ | 42¾ |
| Philadelphia and Erie | 25½ | 26¾ |
| Northern Central | 36¾ | 36¾ |
| Lehigh Navigation | 42½ | 42¾ |
| Lehigh Gold Loan | 93¾ | 94 |

The week's Imports of Foreign Merchandise have been to the specie value of $7,105,811.

The export clearances hence for European ports, as reported at the Merchants' Exchange, Pine-street, were as follows:

By the steamer Adriatic, for Liverpool—1,014 bales Cotton, 46 hhds. Bark, 175 boxes Clocks, 6 hhds. Tobacco, 992 boxes Bacon, 207 pks. Provisions, 5,000 Staves, 10,414 bushels Wheat, 5,503 boxes Cheese, 2,741 bags Oil-cake, 100 bbls. Bacon, 26,335 bushels Corn, 607 bbls. Pork, 3 tcs. Pork, 75 tcs. Lard.

By the steamer City of Antwerp, for Liverpool—1,271 boxes Bacon, 44 bales Furs, 16 boxes Clocks, 5,399 boxes Cheese, 20 tcs. Pork, 250 bags Ore, 85 boxes Hum. 733 bales Cotton, 10 boxes Woodware, 5 pks. Agricultural Implements, 484 bags Oil-cake, 17 boxes Castings.

By the steamer Europa, for Glasgow—6 tcs. Tallow, 183 hhds. Tallow, 1,948 bbls. Resin, 100 bbls. Apples, 144 bbls. Flour, 1,835 boxes Cheese, 120 pks. Steinlue, 300 bales Cotton, 150 bbls. Shoe-pegs, 50 boxes Dyestuffs, 199 boxes Bacon, 11,500 bushels Wheat, 10 boxes Plavine, 150 bbls. Cotton-seed Oil, 300 boxes Corn, 170 tcs. Beef, 85 cases Can Goods, 9,000 Staves, 10,250 bushels Corn.

By the bark Sleipner, for Cronstadt—3,084 bbls. Petroleum, 1,000 pigs Lead.

By the steamer Calabria, for Liverpool—29 hhds. Tobacco, 12 tcs. Tobacco, 44 bales Leather, 10,680 bushels Corn, 7,493 bushels Wheat, 741 bales Cotton, 2 cases Cigars.

By the bark Forestingen, for Abo—12,000 bbls. Refined Petroleum, 1,000 cases Refined Petroleum.

By the bark Cleta, for London—180 boxes Clocks, 5,949 bags Oil-cake, 4,320 Staves.

By the steamer Donau, for Bremen—153 Hides, 50 hhds. Tallow, 4 cases Rubber, 162 hhds. Tobacco, 185 bales Tobacco, 3 bales Furs, 125 bbls. Apples, 75 cases Cassia Buds, 11,585 bushels Corn, 543 bbls. Resin, 6 tcs. Castings, 20 pks. Hardware, 142 bbls. Shoe-pegs, 4 kegs Potash Salt, 3 bbls. Flour, 51 boxes Bacon, 10 tcs. Lard, 61 bales Leather, 8 cases Tobacco, 4,122 bushels Rye, 10 cases Machinery.

By the brig La Plata, for Cork and orders—2,948 bbls. Refined Petroleum.

By the bark Argosy, for London—6,928 bbls. Refined Petroleum.

By the brig Two Brothers, for Gottenburg—1,007 bbls. Naphtha, 45 bbls. Refined Petroleum.

### BANKING AND FINANCIAL.

Howes & Macy, Bankers, No. 30 Wall-st., New-York, offer the same facilities to Depositors as Incorporated Banks, and allow Interest on daily Balances at the rate of Four per Cent.

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Deposits received, subject to check at sight, and interest allowed on daily balances. Collections made.

### FOREIGN MARKETS.

LONDON, May 24—11 A. M.—Consols opened at 93⅛ for money and 94 for the account. United States 5-20 Bonds, 1865s, old, 91⅜; 1867s, 91½; 10-40s, 88⅜; New 5s, 89⅛. Erie Railway Shares, 48⅜.

2:30 P. M.—Consols and American Securities closed unchanged.

HAVRE, May 24—P. M.—United States 5-20 Bonds, 96⅛ for the issue of 1862.

PARIS, May 24—The specie in the Bank of France has increased 500,000 francs during the past week. Rentes opened at 54f. 95c., and closed at 54f. 85c.

LIVERPOOL, May 24—11 A. M.—Cotton—The market opened steady. Middling Uplands, 8¾d.; Middling Orleans, 9¼@9⅜d. The sales of the day are estimated at 12,000 bales.

1 P. M.—Cotton—The market is steady; sales, 12,000 bales, including 2,000 bales for speculation and export.

2:30 P. M.—Cotton—The market closed steady. Of the sales to-day, 7,500 bales were American. Sales of Cotton shipped from Savannah or Charleston in April at 8 12-16d.; from the same ports deliverable in May at 8 12-16d.; from the same ports deliverable in June and July at 9d.; from the same ports deliverable July and August at 9d.; and from New-Orleans, deliverable July and August, at 9d.

LONDON, May 24—Evening.—Spirits Turpentine, 37s. @37s. 6d. ₹ cwt.

### Controller's Receipts.

Controller Green reports the following amounts paid, yesterday, into the City Treasury:

| | |
|---|---|
| From taxes, Croton rent and interest | $2,046 63 |
| From street openings and improvements and interest | 7,168 87 |
| From arrears of taxes, assessment, Croton rent, and interest | 7,019 12 |
| From interest on bond and mortgage, ferry rents, market rents, and fees | 2,095 10 |
| From Croton water rent | 5,456 20 |
| Total | $23,816 02 |

TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR THE WEEK.

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|---|---|
| Taxes and interest | $45,484 62 |
| Street openings and improvements and interest | 54,443 60 |
| Arrears of taxes, assessments, Croton rent and interest | 34,962 85 |
| Market rents and fees, water lot rents, interest on bond and mortgage, &c., &c. | 12,472 06 |
| Croton water rent | 28,171 22 |
| Dock and slip rents | 68,991 34 |
| Total | $244,525 69 |

### Receipts by the Department of Public Works.

Commissioner Van Nort, of the Department of Public Works, makes the following statement of public moneys received by that Department during the week ending yesterday, (Saturday:)

| | |
|---|---|
| For Croton water rent | $32,236 75 |
| For vault permits | 240 00 |
| For sewer permits | 600 00 |
| For vitrified pipe sold to contractors | 151 20 |
| Total | $33,920 95 |


### INSTRUCTION.

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COLUMBIA COLLEGE ENTRANCE EXAMINATION.—Candidates for admission to this Institution will be examined at the College, East 49th-st., between Madison and 4th ave., on FRIDAY, June 20, beginning at 9:30 A. M. The examination will be extended, if necessary, through the following day, but it is very desirable that all candidates should present themselves promptly at the time first named.

F. A. P. BARNARD, LL. D., President.

MISS SULKLEY'S BOARDING AND DAY School for Young Ladies, Tarrytown, N. Y., will continue as usual. Present year will close June 25, 1873. Next school year will commence Sept. 17, 1873.

ALL BAD WRITERS AND INCOMPETENT book-keepers should attend PAINE'S Business College, No. 62 Bowery, or up-town, Broadway, corner 32d-st. Twenty-four writing lessons $2 50.

IRVING'S SCHOOL OF ART.—DRAWING, painting and water-colors. New-York Society Library building, No. 67 University-place, between 12th and 13th sts.

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A COLLEGE GRADUATE AND SUCCESSful teacher desires the tutorship of one or two boys during the summer months; would have no objection to traveling; refers to Rev. Wm. M. Paxton, D. D., No. 49 West 11th-st. Address W. H. B., *Times* Up-town Office, No. 544 West 25d-st.

A YOUNG ENGLISH LADY IS DESIRous of meeting with an engagement for the holidays: is a good musician; can fill the position of governess to young children; salary no object; highest references. Address Miss HALL, Hellmuth College, London, Ontario.

A LADY, WHO HAS HAD LARGE experience in teaching, has spent two years on the continent, and speaks French fluently, would like to travel in Europe, as governess to children or companion to a lady, for her expenses. Address Miss TUTTLE, St. Denis Hotel, New-York City.

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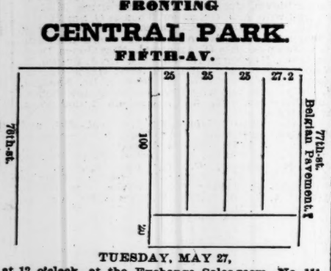


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## PROPOSALS.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY** GIVEN THAT pursuant to section 2, chapter 335, of the Laws of 1873, proposals for publishing and distributing the *City Record* for one year, in accordance with the specifications filed in the office of the Mayor of the City of New-York, in the City Hall in said City, will be received at said office until Tuesday, June 3, prox., at 12 o'clock noon, at which hour the bids will be opened and read, and the award of the contract made as soon thereafter as practicable.

Each proposal will be enclosed in a sealed envelope indorsed "Proposals for publishing and distributing the *City Record*," and must be made in strict conformity to the specifications aforesaid.

The security required on the contract will be ten thousand dollars.—Dated New-York, May 17, 1873.

WILLIAM F. HAVEMEYER,

Mayor.

GEORGE M. VAN NORT,

Commissioner of Public Works.

E. DELAFIELD SMITH,

Counsel to the Corporation.

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**GREEN-WOOD CEMETERY LOT** for sale; any person wishing to purchase a full-size lot, 14 by 27 feet, in the most desirable part of the old ground, may hear of an opportunity that very seldom offers by applying to E. B. LANSING & CO., Nos. 168 and 170 Montague-st., Brooklyn.

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**CLARENDON HOTEL,**

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Will be opened for the reception of guests from June 1 to Oct. 1, 1873. All communications for apartments should be addressed Charles E. Leland, Stur-evant House, New-York, or Delavan House, Albany, N. Y., previous to the opening. Board, $4 50 per day.

CHARLES E. LELAND, Proprietor.

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**COOPER HOUSE,**

COOPERSTOWN, (foot of Otsego Lake,) N. Y.,

COLEMAN & MAXWELL, Proprietors.

The above hotel will be open June 14. Plans of the house may be seen and rooms engaged at the New-York Hotel, No. 721 Broadway, the last week of April and first and last weeks of May, upon application to

W. B. COLEMAN.

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LAKE MAHOPAC, N. Y.,

Will open for guests, June 15. Board, $4 per day. Four trains daily from Grand Central Depot, 42d-st., Harlem Railroad. Mr. J. Bernstein's Orchestral Band has been engaged for the season. For terms, &c., apply at the hotel, or address

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**HEATH HOUSE,**

SCHOOLEY'S MOUNTAIN SPRINGS, MORRIS COUNTY, N. J.

Will open for the reception of guests June 1. Applications for rooms can be made at the Coleman House, Broadway, N. Y., where the proprietor, with plans of the house, can be seen every Wednesday from 12 to 3 o'clock.

J. WARREN COLEMAN, Proprietor.

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**PROSPECT PARK HOTEL,**

**Catskill, N. Y.,**

will open June 15. House, 250 feet elevation, with extensive grounds of some twenty acres on the Hudson; mountain air; scenery unsurpassed in the world; pleasure-grounds, extended and improved; first-class accommodations for 300 or 400 guests; accessible by boat and cars.

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**LAIRD'S MANSION HOUSE,**

LONG BRANCH, N. J.

WILL OPEN, JUNE 10.

WILLIAM L. MCINTIRE, Manager,

Formerly with the late Samuel Laird.

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**COZZENS' WEST POINT HOTEL**

Will open on SATURDAY, May 31. Two cottages to let, with board in hotel. Special terms offered to parties engaging rooms for the season. For particulars address EDWARD COZZENS, West Point, N. Y.

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**NEWPORT, R. I.**

The ATLANTIC HOUSE, fronting Touro Park and Bellevue-avenue, will be opened for the season on MONDAY, May 26.

WM. W. HAZARD, Proprietor.

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**UNITED STATES HOTEL,**

NEWLY FURNISHED AND REFITTED,

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For terms, &c., address M. M. LAIRD, Proprietor.

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**CORNWALL, ON THE HUDSON.**

**GILLIS HOUSE.**

This first-class Summer-house opens June 1.

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**TOWER HILL HOUSE,**

NARRAGANSETT PIER, R. I., opens June 25, 1873. Address, at No. 35 West 27th-st., New-York.

**CLARK N. SCOFIELD, Proprietor,**

late of Continental Hotel, Philadelphia.

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**NEWPORT, R. I.**

The DERBY COTTAGE, facing Touro Park and Bellevue-avenue; elegant rooms and first-class board. Apply at No. 273 5th-av., New-York.

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**OVERLOOK MOUNTAIN HOUSE,** ON the Catskills, open June 1; reached by Mary Powell steamer, at 3½ P. M.; James W. Baldwin and Thomas Cornell, Harrison-st., at 4 P. M.; the Albany day-boats or Hudson River Railroad to Rhinebeck and Kingston, and New-York, Kingston and Syracuse Railroad to West Hurley, where the hotel 'buses are in waiting for every train. Also Erie and Wallkill Valley Railway, foot of 23d and Chambers sts., to Kingston City, &c. Baggage by this route checked to West Hurley. Address

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C. BANTA, Secretary.

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**ENGLEWOOD HOUSE.**

ENGLEWOOD, N. J.—By Northern Railroad, foot Chambers-st., or steam-boat foot Harrison-st. Apply to Proprietor Englewood House.

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**THE EQUINOX HOUSE, MANCHESTER, VT.,**

Will open June 10. Address by mail or telegraph,

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# THE LUMBER TRADE.

## A Large Failure—Several New York Firms Involved—The Suspension Claimed to be only Temporary.

It became generally known yesterday, down town, that a combination of large lumber firms which had been formed some months ago for the evident purpose of controlling the market in Western lumber, had met with a sudden and unexpected check of so serious a nature, and of so great an extent, as to render necessary the suspension of the firm. The New-York members of the company claim that the suspension is only of a temporary nature. The news of the failure was known to the houses in the ring, and to their creditors some days ago, but the fact does not appear to have obtained general currency until yesterday, when an Associated Press telegram from Troy announced the suspension, and stated that the total amount of the liabilities was no less a sum than $9,000,000.

A reporter of THE TIMES last evening waited upon Mr. Russell W. Adams, of Adams & Co., whose offices are at No. 116 Wall-street, and who were said to be members of the combination, and from him obtained the following facts:

Mr. Adams displayed much emotion, tears filling his eyes when speaking of his misfortune and the manner in which it had been exaggerated so as to reflect upon him and all the men composing the combination. An agreement was entered into last Summer, he said, among the leading lumber firms of the country for the purpose of buying lumber in Canada and in the West—Michigan principally—and disposing of it to their common advantage and by legitimate means, agreeing to help each other by accepting and using the paper of all the firms entering into the arrangement, consisting of White & Co., of Albany; S. W. Barnard & Co., of New-York; R. W. Adams & Co., of New-York; A. P. Dodge & Co., of New-York; O. Richards & Sons, of Sandy Hill, N. Y.; Page & Co., of Oswego; C. B. Nichols & Co., of Albany; the Williamsburg Mill and Lumber Company, of Williamsburg; Chambers & Co., of Cleveland; Watson & Twitchell, of Chicago; Barton & Spencer, of Elizabeth, and R. A. Loveland, of Chicago. Mr. Adams said that it was true that they had failed, but he did not think that the joint liabilities amounted to $9,000,000, as was reported. That was a matter not of the first importance, however, as each and every member involved was able and willing to meet engagements if sufficient time were given them by their creditors. The failure had been very sudden, and had come upon him without a minute's warning, the first intimation being the sending to protest of the notes of Richards & Co., of Sandy Hill, about ten days since. The original cause of the failure, he thought, was the Chicago and Boston fires. These calamities might appear, at first glance, to be beneficial to the lumber market, in necessitating a demand for material in rebuilding; but the contrary was the case, for the reason that builders generally were largely dependent upon advances received from the insurance companies for the money to carry on their work. After these disastrous fires the insurance companies were too crippled to help the builders with any more money, and as the latter could not pay the smaller lumber dealers, who, in turn, could not pay the large houses, such as those in the combination, they had been compelled to carry them. The building trade had, therefore, been stagnated, and the demand for lumber very slack, and when the market was backward they could not force it. The tightness of the money market, the high freights, and the difficulties of marketing the products of their mills generally, had also aided in causing the suspension. They had been obliged to lock up a large amount of capital otherwise available in carrying over the past Winter about 300,000,000 feet of logs and lumber.

Mr. Adams repeated emphatically his certainty that all the firms in the combination are solvent. Their combined means is double or three times the amount of the liabilities and they possess large quantities of lumber, which still lies in Canada and in the mills in Michigan and in New-York State. The firms in this City are the most heavily involved, excepting White & Co., of Albany, and Page & Co., of Oswego, but Mr. Adams could not give the amount of their indebtedness. All the firms who have been acting together in this matter are well established and doing a business of about $100,000 a year each. Mr. Adams said, and all they need is, that those holding their paper shall give them time to turn their property into money. The creditors are mostly men who have bought their paper or discounted it, and Mr. William E. Dodge is one of the heaviest creditors. Mr. Henry W. Sage holds about $40,000 worth of paper which has gone to protest. A meeting of about a dozen bank officers and other creditors, forming a majority of the claimants, was held on Wednesday last, Mr. Adams stated, at which the fullest confidence in the suspended firm was expressed, and all agreed to give an extension of time from six to twenty-four months, which, Mr. Adams thought, would be amply sufficient for them to recover.

Mr. A. G. P. Dodge, of Dodge & Co., at No. 59 Wall-street, a son of Mr. William E. Dodge, pronounced the report fixing the total liabilities at $9,000,000 exaggerated. He did not think it would amount to more than $3,000,000, and the embarrassment was only temporary. The firms involved were solvent and had margins to spare. His account of the cause of the failure agreed substantially with that given by Mr. Adams, and also stated that the creditors at the meeting, who represented from one-third to one-half the whole indebtedness, had agreed that, if a reasonable opportunity is given the sufferers to realize their assets, they will be able to retire every dollar of their indebtedness. Now that time has been granted, he said, the result will be brought to a satisfactory conclusion.

### A Bold Robbery—A Russian Count the Victim.

Shortly before 9 o'clock last night Count Lesaynski, a Russian nobleman at present sojourning in this City and residing at No. 21 East Twenty-second-street, entered the West Thirtieth-street Police-station and reported to Capt. Burden the particulars of a very bold robbery, of which he had been the victim. The Count stated that at about 2:30 o'clock last evening, while standing at the corner of Twenty-sixth-street and Fifth-avenue, he had occasion to take his pocket-book, containing $370 in cash and a number of private papers, from his pocket. While standing with the pocket-book in his hand, he was suddenly assaulted by some unknown ruffian, who snatched the porte-monnaie. Before the Count could recover from his surprise, the robber jumped into a coupé, which was standing close to the curb, evidently waiting for him. As soon as the man leaped into the vehicle, the driver whipped up the horse, and drove off at a rapid rate. He drove along Fifth-avenue to Thirtieth-street, and turned down that street toward Third-avenue. The Count raised an alarm and followed in pursuit, but lost sight of the vehicle in Thirtieth-street. He could not give any description of the robber, but states that the coupé had a black horse attached and the driver had a black moustache, was dressed in black clothes and wore a black silk hat. The case has been placed in the hands of the detectives attached to the Twenty-ninth Precinct, but there appears to be very slight prospects that the thief and his confederate will be arrested.

### Reception to the Secretary of the London Sunday-School Union.

A special meeting of the New-York Sunday-school Superintendents was held last evening at Central Methodist Church, Seventh-avenue and Fourteenth-street, for the purpose of giving a public reception to Mr. Fountain J. Hartley, one of the secretaries of the London Sunday-school Union. Rev. Dr. Vincent, chairman of the Committee of Reception, presided, and in delivering the address of welcome, said they had a good deal to learn from the English Sunday-school Union, and he felt satisfied Mr. Hartley would receive an enthusiastic American welcome at their hands. (Applause.)

Mr. Hartley thanked them for the flattering reception he had received, and said that on the part of 98,000 fellow-workers in the cause of Sunday-school teaching in England, he was there to speak to them this evening. After referring to the cordial relations which had so long existed between the American Sunday-school unions and the one he represented, and the valuable information imparted to them in London by Dr. Todd, Dr. Tyng and others who had visited them from this side of the Atlantic, he went on to state the rapid progress which had been made of late years in the work not only in England, but in Poland, Switzerland, Germany, and Italy, and alluded to the efforts made by Mr. Albert Woodruff, of Brooklyn, to introduce the Sunday-schools into these countries eight or ten years ago. The number of Sunday-schools in England amounted at present to 3,944, having a total of 93,197 teachers, and 810,747 children in attendance. About $150,000 worth of religious works were circulated annually among the teachers and pupils, and the great object sought to be attained was to elevate the standard of education among the teachers. They wanted to make the children better Christians than the men and women of the present day, and he expressed a hope that in this great work of religious education the English and American Sunday-school unions would work in harmony. Mr. Hodder, who accompanied Mr. Hartley, was also introduced and delivered a brief address.

## BASE-BALL.

### The Mutuals Defeated by the Athletics of Philadelphia.

The Athletics and Mutuals—the former of Philadelphia, and the latter of this City—played the second game of their championship series on the Union Grounds, Williamsburg, yesterday afternoon, in the presence of an assemblage of about 2,500 persons. Owing to the fact that the Philadelphia men defeated the Mutuals a week ago yesterday by a score of twelve to "nowhere"—the New-Yorkers making but two clean base hits off McBride—no little interest was felt yesterday in seeing how the "Mutes" would acquit themselves. In the pools sold the Athletics had the call at odds of 100 to 55, at which figures a great number of tickets were sold, the backers of each club banding out their money with the greatest freedom imaginable.

Mr. Powers, of the Atlantic Club, having been persuaded to fill the thankless position of umpire, the grounds were cleared, and at 3:40 o'clock play "called." The Mutuals went first to bat and obtained 1 run through an error of McBride, who gave Eggler his first base on called balls. The Athletics got 2 runs as their portion, Bellan making a very poor throw to first base, and Hicks missing a foul tip. The figures were not altered in the next innings, both sides failing to score, but in the third innings, through fine batting by Eggler, Hatfield, and Bellan, the Mutuals got in an earned run and polished off Philadelphia for a whitewash, Bellan making a very pretty double play. More good hitting, and a missed fly by Murnan at centre field, allowed the Mutes, in the fourth inning, to score 2 more runs—1 earned—but again were the Philadelphians blanked. The fifth inning closed with another run for the Athletics, Mattie's making a bad error, and a blank for the Mutuals. In the sixth inning the New-York boys began batting again, and thus rolled up 3 additional runs, Holdsworth, Gedney, and Higham doing the work with the stick. New-York now had a lead of five runs, and it was hoped by their friends that they would maintain this advantage to the close, but they did not, for as has been the case all along, the club is without a proper third baseman.

Errors by Hicks and Bellan gave the Athletics 2 runs in the seventh inning, when they should have been retired, and, also, as Fisher changed places with McBride in this inning, the "Mutes" failed to score, they not being able to bat "Cherokee" at all. The score was now 6 to 7 in favor of New-York, but as the Athletics got the necessary run in the eighth inning to tie, the excitement became of the most intense nature. The Mutual players worked desperately to get in a winning run in the last inning, but their efforts were of no avail, Eggler being the only man to make his first base. Through an over-throw by Hatfield, who was playing third in place of Bellan, that player going to second in the middle of the eighth inning, Anson, of the Athletics, got to third base, when he should have been put out easily. Good hits by Fisler, Murnan, and Clapp followed this bad play, and before the Philadelphia men could be retired they ran their score up from 7 to 11.

THE SCORE.

| MUTUAL. | R. | 1B. | P.O. | A. | ATHLETIC. | R. | 1B. | P.O. | A. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Eggler, l. f. | 2 | 2 | 2 | 0 | McGeary, s. s. | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| Bellan, 3d b. | 0 | 1 | 1 | 3 | McBride, p. | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Start, 1st b. | 0 | 1 | 11 | 1 | Anson, 1st b. | 3 | 4 | 16 | 0 |
| Hicks, c. | 1 | 1 | 4 | 1 | Fisler, 2d b. | 2 | 2 | 1 | 4 |
| Hatfield, 2d b. | 0 | 2 | 1 | 2 | Fisher, r. f. | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| Higham, r. f. | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 | Sutton, 3d b. | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 |
| Matthews, p. | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | Clapp, c. | 1 | 2 | 5 | 0 |
| Gedney, l. f. | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 | Murnan, c. f. | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| Holdsworth, a. s. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | McMullan, l. f. | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Total. | 7 | 11 | 27 | 12 | Total. | 11 | 13 | 27 | 13 |

INNINGS.

| | 1st. | 2d. | 3d. | 4th. | 5th. | 6th. | 7th. | 8th. | 9th. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Mutual | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0—7 |
| Athletic | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 4—11 |

Umpire—Mr. Powers, of the Atlantic Club.
Time of Game—Two hours and ten minutes.
Runs Earned—Mutual, 3; Athletic, 0.

NOTES.

The Atlantics play the Athletics on the Union Grounds to-morrow, and the Mutuals play the Baltimoreans the next day.

On the 30th and 31st the Mutuals play the Bostons at Boston.

A game of base-ball is to be played in Hoboken on Saturday, June 7, between members of the Board of Aldermen and the police force.

The following is the score by innings of the game yesterday between the Yale and Harvard Clubs, at New-Haven:

INNINGS.

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Harvard | 3 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | —16 |
| Yale | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 5 | 3 | 1 | —15 |

### A Victory for the Princeton Nine.

The Resolute Base-Ball Club, of Elizabeth, played the Princeton nine, yesterday afternoon, on the grounds back of the College at Princeton. The Resolutes were paid $50 to come there and play. D. W. Benjamin was their director. D. T. Morrel was the director for the Princeton nine. The ground was in good condition, notwithstanding the late rains. The attendance of people was great, noticeable among them being Rev. Dr. McCosh, the President of the College, and a number of professors from Union College. The Princeton nine were in good spirits, having just returned from their victories over Harvard and Yale. Their pitcher and catcher, Pell and Davis, stepped from the train and reached the ground just before the game began and were received with cheers.

The game began at 2:55 o'clock, and was done at 4:50 o'clock, having lasted one hour and forty-five minutes. From the start the Princeton nine played brilliantly. The Resolutes seemed apathetic. The fielding on both sides was good. The result of the game was as follows:

| PRINCETON. | R. | 1B. | O. | RESOLUTES. | R. | 1B. | O. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Pell, p. | 1 | 0 | 4 | D. Allison, c. | 1 | 1 | 8 |
| Evarz, 1st b. | 1 | 1 | 9 | Farrow, r. f. | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| Bruyere, 3d b. | 0 | 1 | 3 | H. Austin, c. f. | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| Williamson, l. f. | 2 | 1 | 1 | H. Campbell, p. | 0 | 1 | 3 |
| Peyton, c. f. | 1 | 2 | 1 | E. Allison, l. f. | 0 | 1 | 4 |
| Davis, c. | 1 | 1 | 1 | Clinton, 3d b. | 0 | 1 | 2 |
| Fredericks, r. f. | 1 | 2 | 2 | Laughlin, 2d b. | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| Beach, s. s. | 0 | 0 | 3 | Fleet, s. s. | 0 | 1 | 2 |
| Lawrence, 2d b. | 0 | 0 | 4 | M. Campbell, 1st b. | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| Total. | 6 | 8 | 27 | Total. | 2 | 7 | 27 |

INNINGS.

| | 1st. | 2d. | 3d. | 4th. | 5th. | 6th. | 7th. | 8th. | 9th. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Princeton | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0—6 |
| Resolutes | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0—2 |

Runs Earned—Princeton, 2; Resolutes, 1.
Umpire—Alexander Van Rensselaer.
Scorers—Peckett for Princeton, and Green for the Resolutes.

### Match Between the Philadelphia and Atlantic Clubs.

PHILADELPHIA, May 24.—Some 2,000 persons witnessed the game of base-ball this afternoon between the Philadelphia and Atlantic clubs. The batting on both sides was very weak, the Atlantics making but three clean hits. The fielding was magnificent. The scores were as follows:

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Atlantics | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0—1 |
| Philadelphians | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0—5 |

The runs earned were: Philadelphians—1.
Bases on called balls: Atlantics—2.
Umpire—Tom Pratt.

### A Victory for the Boston Nine.

BOSTON, May 24.—A game of base-ball was played here to-day between the Boston nine and the Baltimore nine. The Bostons were the victors by a score of 9 to 7.

### Trotting at Fleetwood Park.

A trot came off at Fleetwood Park, yesterday afternoon, between the black mare Molly, the gray gelding Grand Central, the black mare Lady Knox, and the bay mare Lottie, for a purse of $100 offered by the association for horses that had never beaten three minutes. The race was won by Pauling's black mare Lady Knox, Lottie winning the first heat, after which a heavy rain made the track somewhat heavy.

SUMMARY.

FLEETWOOD PARK—MORRISANIA, Saturday, May 24.—Purse $100, for horses that have never trotted better than three minutes; mile heats, best three in five, in harness; $60 to first, $30 to second, and $10 to third horse.

J. Pauling's blk. m. Lady Knox.....2 1 1 1
S. Wilson's b. m. Lottie.....1 2 2 2
J. Murphy's blk. m. Molly.....3 3 3 3
W. E. Weeks' gr. g. Grand Central.....dr.
Time—2:37, 2:38½, 2:39½, 2:40.

### The Alleged Poisoning of Mr. Blatchford's Servants.

Recently six servants in the family of Mr. Blatchford, father of Judge Blatchford, after partaking of some corned-beef, were attacked with poisonous symptoms. They all recovered. Prof. Endeman made an analysis and found no trace of any mineral or other poison. He states in his report, made yesterday, that the effects produced on those eating the beef were caused by a primary and peculiar process of decomposition. Similar cases have occurred from using pork, sausages, cheese, and various kinds of fish, but this is the only case on record where arsenical poisoning pains have been felt after corned-beef.

## DECORATION DAY.

### Meeting of the General Committee of the G. A. R.

A meeting of the General Committee, composed of members of the different Posts of the Grand Army of the Republic, was held last evening at their head-quarters, No. 31 Union-square, to complete the arrangements for Decoration Day. In the absence of Gen. Sharpe, Gen. Pinckney occupied the chair. The reports of the different committees were received, among others the Committee on Floral Arrangements, who stated that there were more than 1,000 graves to decorate, and among the lowest estimates received for supplying flowers was that of F. McCheyne, of Washington Market, who offered to supply them for $388.

The Chairman stated that he had received a communication from the American Exotic and Botanic Garden Society of Brooklyn stating that they would furnish all the necessary flowers free of expense.

In addition to this the Adams and Dodds Express Companies and many of the sewing machine companies have promised to supply teams for the conveyance of the crippled soldiers, the children, and flowers to their destination. The catafalque will be drawn by eight horses furnished free of expense. The Floral Committee report an abundance of funds, donations, and flowers. The grave of Admiral Farragut will be decorated in the usual manner. Immediately on the arrival of the procession on the other side of the river, it will be joined by the Brooklyn posts, who will join them in the ranks and proceed to Cypress Hills, where the German Veteran Singing Society, composed for the most part of old soldiers, will chant a dirge over the remains of their late comrade. The programme of the procession has not yet been decided upon, but will be drawn out at a special meeting of the General Committee in a day or two at furthest.

In the evening a large meeting of the members will be held in the Academy of Music, at which it is expected that Gen. Hancock will preside, and addresses be delivered by Dr. Adams, Rev. George H. Hepworth, Gen. Hawley, and other eminent speakers.

The Idlewild Glee Club will assist in the exercises; the Asylum Band will also be in attendance and perform a select programme of music which will add to the evening's entertainment.

### Other Preparations.

Post E. A. Kimball, No. 100, Department of N. Y. G. A. R., will appear on Decoration Day in dark clothes, blue fatigue cap, with the figures 100, white gloves, and grand army badge, worn on the left breast. The post will proceed to Green-Wood Cemetery, and there decorate the graves of the late Lieut. Col. E. A. Kimball, and other soldiers. Post Abraham Lincoln, No. 13, will participate with Kitching Post No. 60 and other posts at Yonkers, in decorating the graves of the large number of soldiers buried there. Post No. 13 will assemble at head-quarters, May 30, at 8:30 A. M., sharp, and comrades will appear in dark clothes, fatigue caps, badges, and gloves.

James C. Rice Post No. 29, will assemble at Head-quarters on the 30th, at 8:30 A. M., in the same costume and insigna as other posts.

The following-named comrades are appointed on the staff:

*Thomas H. Lee*, Phil Kearny Post No. 8, Assistant Adjutant General and Chief of Staff. James H. Stevens, Phil Kearny Post No. 8, Quartermaster.

*Aides de Camp*—Michael Nolan, Sumner Post No. 24; E. W. Brunnghausen, Koltes Post No. 32; John B. Dingell, Dumont Post No. 79; J. C. Hutchinson, Sedgwick Post No. 11; Major Thomas D. Sears, Volunteer Aid; Charles Weissman, Volunteer Aid.

*Assistant Marshals*—Ira A. Whitman, Sedgwick Post No. 11; Fred. Dannemann, Sumner Post No. 24; Theodore Smith, Koltes Post No. 32; Jacob Miller, Koltes Post No. 32; Anton Andessner, Koltes Post No. 32; A. W. Meredith, D. G. Farragut Post No. 75; Joseph Marshall, Kilpatrick Post No. 75; John S. Phillips, Cameron Post No. 79; George Teller, E. A. Kimball Post No. 100; James F. Hall, Dahlgren Post No. 113.

The members of the Staff and Assistant Marshals will parade mounted, in dark clothes, white gloves, and military fatigue cap, and will report to Adjutant-General Miller Post No. 75, John S. Phillips, Cameron Post No. 79; George Teller, E. A. Kimball Post No. 100; James F. Hall, Dahlgren Post No. 113.

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